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Senate Bill No. 601

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The Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. WILLIAMS of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning Notification Of The Change Of Address Of Firearm Permit Holders.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 29-28 of the general statutes, as
2 amended by section 19 of public act 99-212, is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

4 (b) Upon the application of any person having a bona fide residence
5 or place of business within the jurisdiction of any such authority or
6 upon the application of any bona fide resident of the United States
7 having a permit or license to carry any firearm issued by the authority
8 of any state or subdivision of the United States, such chief of police,
9 warden or selectman may issue a permit to such person to carry a
10 pistol or revolver within the jurisdiction of the authority issuing the
11 same, provided such authority shall find that such applicant intends to
12 make no use of any pistol or revolver which such applicant may be
13 permitted to carry thereunder other than a lawful use and that such

14 person is a suitable person to receive such permit. No permit to carry a
15 pistol or revolver shall be issued under this subsection if the applicant
16 (1) has failed to successfully complete a course approved by the
17 Commissioner of Public Safety in the safety and use of pistols and
18 revolvers including, but not limited to, a safety or training course in
19 the use of pistols and revolvers available to the public offered by a law
20 enforcement agency, a private or public educational institution or a
21 firearms training school, utilizing instructors certified by the National
22 Rifle Association or the Department of Environmental Protection and a
23 safety or training course in the use of pistols or revolvers conducted by
24 an instructor certified by the state or the National Rifle Association, (2)
25 has been convicted of a felony or of a violation of subsection (c) of
26 section 21a-279, section 53a-58, 53a-61, 53a-61a, 53a-62, 53a-63, 53a-96,
27 53a-175, 53a-176, 53a-178 or 53a-181d, (3) has been convicted as
28 delinquent for the commission of a serious juvenile offense, as defined
29 in section 46b-120, (4) has been discharged from custody within the
30 preceding twenty years after having been found not guilty of a crime
31 by reason of mental disease or defect pursuant to section 53a-13, (5)
32 has been confined in a hospital for persons with psychiatric
33 disabilities, as defined in section 17a-495, within the preceding twelve
34 months by order of a probate court, (6) is subject to a restraining or
35 protective order issued by a court in a case involving the use,
36 attempted use or threatened use of physical force against another
37 person, (7) is subject to a firearms seizure order issued pursuant to
38 subsection (d) of section 18 of [this act] public act 99-212 after notice
39 and hearing, or (8) is an alien illegally or unlawfully in the United
40 States. Nothing in this section shall require any person who holds a
41 valid permit to carry a pistol or revolver on October 1, 1994, to
42 participate in any additional training in the safety and use of pistols
43 and revolvers. Said commissioner may, upon application, issue, to any
44 holder of any such permit, a permit to carry a pistol or revolver within
45 the state. Each permit to carry any pistol or revolver shall be issued in
46 triplicate and one of the copies issued by said commissioner shall be

47 delivered to the person to whom issued, one shall be delivered
48 forthwith to the authority issuing the local permit and one shall be
49 retained by said commissioner, and the local authority issuing any
50 such permit shall forthwith deliver one of such copies to the person to
51 whom issued and one copy to said commissioner and shall retain one
52 of such copies. The copy of the state permit delivered to the permittee
53 shall be laminated and shall contain a full-face photograph of such
54 permittee. A person holding a permit issued pursuant to this
55 subsection shall notify the issuing authority within two business days
56 of any change of such person's address. The notification shall include
57 the old address and the new address. Upon receipt of such notice, the
58 issuing authority shall notify the law enforcement agency having
59 jurisdiction over the town to which such person has moved of such
60 person's new address.

61 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 29-36g of the general statutes is
62 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

63 (d) A person holding an eligibility certificate issued by the
64 commissioner shall notify the commissioner within two business days
65 of any change of [his] such person's address. The notification shall
66 include [his] the old address and [his] the new address. Upon receipt
67 of such notice, the commissioner shall notify the law enforcement
68 agency having jurisdiction over the town to which such person has
69 moved of such person's new address.

JUD Committee Vote: Yea 40 Nay 0 JF

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: Minimal Cost

Affected Agencies: Department of Public Safety

Municipal Impact: Minimal Cost

Explanation**State and Municipal Impact:**

The passage of this bill would result in minimal costs to the state and municipalities that would be absorbed within existing resources. The bill requires officials who issue permits to carry handguns to notify the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction as soon as a permit holder provides them with a new address. This would be accomplished by existing staff and within existing resources.

OLR Bill Analysis

SB 601

AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION OF THE CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF FIREARM PERMIT HOLDERS.**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires officials who issue permits to carry handguns to notify the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction as soon as a permit holder provides them with a new address. It requires the commissioner of public safety to do the same when those who hold an eligibility certificate to acquire a handgun provide him with a new address. By law, people who hold an eligibility certificate or a carrying permit must notify the commissioner or local issuing authority within two business days of a change of address. The law authorizes a police chief, first selectman, warden of a borough, and the public safety commissioner to issue a permit to carry handguns.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

BACKGROUND***Related Legislation***

sSB 554 creates a single gun permit system by eliminating the local handgun carrying permit. It was voted out of the Public Safety Committee on March 7.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 40 Nay 0