

HOUSE BILL 49: Concealed Carry Permit Lapse/Revise Law.

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House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 49 would provide that a concealed carry permittee who allows the permit to lapse does not have to take another firearms safety and training course upon applying for renewal under certain conditions.

CURRENT LAW: Concealed handgun permits may be renewed in the 90 days prior to the expiration of the permit by completion of a renewal form and payment of a fee. If a permittee applies for renewal within that 90 days, the permit will remain valid past the expiration date until the permit is renewed or the renewal is denied.

G.S. 14-415.16(e) currently provides that if a person does not apply for renewal prior to the expiration of the permit, but does apply within 60 days of expiration, the sheriff <u>may</u> waive the requirement of taking another firearms safety and training course. Applications for renewal made after the expiration of a permit do not extend the validity of the permit.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 49 would amend G.S. 14-415.16(e) as follows:

- If the permittee applies for renewal no more than 60 days after expiration of the permit, the sheriff would be required to waive the requirement to take another firearm safety and training course.
- If the permittee applies for renewal more than 60 days, but no more than 180 days after expiration of the permit, the sheriff would be required to waive the requirement to take another firearm safety and training course if the permittee completes a refresher course on the laws governing the use or carry of firearms in this State and submits proof of completion.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective October 1, 2021, and apply to renewal applications submitted on or after that date.

