

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5997

AS OF JANUARY 18, 1994

Brief Description: Concerning the issue of a license to carry a concealed pistol.

SPONSORS: Senators Ludwig, A. Smith and McAuliffe

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Staff: Jon Carlson (786-7459)

Hearing Dates: January 21, 1994

BACKGROUND:

Under current law, a person may apply to various issuing authorities for a concealed pistol license. These issuing authorities are the judge of a court of record, the chief of police of a municipality, or the sheriff of a county.

The concealed pistol license must be issued to a qualified applicant within 30 days for the purpose of protection or while engaged in business, sport, or while traveling. If the applicant does not have a valid permanent Washington driver's license or Washington State identification card or has not been a resident of the state for the previous consecutive 90 days, the issuing authority has up to 60 days after the filing of the application to issue a license.

Language is suggested which would require that a person apply for a concealed pistol license with an issuing authority that is within the jurisdiction in which the applicant resides.

SUMMARY:

A person who applies for a concealed pistol license must do so with the judge of a court of record, chief of police, or sheriff of the jurisdiction in which the applicant resides.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested