

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1997

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Legislative Document

No. 162

S.P. 52

In Senate, January 14, 1997

**An Act to Allow Retired Law Enforcement Officials to Obtain a  
Lifetime Concealed Weapons Permit.**

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Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LIBBY of York. (BY REQUEST).

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3 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2003, sub-§1, ¶E,** as amended by PL 1993, c.  
5 524, §8 and 1995, c. 560, Pt. K, §82 and affected by §83, is  
6 further amended by amending subparagraph (4) to read:

7 (4) Submits an application fee along with the written  
8 application to the proper issuing authority pursuant to  
9 the following schedule:

10 (a) Resident of a municipality or unorganized  
11 territory, \$35 for an original application and \$20  
12 for a renewal, except that a person who paid \$60  
13 for a concealed firearms permit or renewal during  
14 1991 or 1992 is entitled to a credit toward  
15 renewal fees in an amount equal to \$30 for a  
16 person who paid \$60 for an original application  
17 and \$45 for a person who paid \$60 for a permit  
18 renewal. The credit is valid until fully  
19 utilized; and

20 (b) Nonresident, \$60 for an original or renewal  
21 application, except that a person who paid \$80 for  
22 a concealed firearms permit during 1991 or 1992 is  
23 entitled to a \$20 credit toward permit renewal  
24 fees. The credit is valid until fully utilized;  
25 and

26 (c) Resident retired law enforcement officer, \$35  
27 for an application and nonresident retired law  
28 enforcement officer, \$60 for an application; and

29 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2003, sub-§8,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 289,  
30 §1, is further amended to read:

31 **8. Term of permit.** All concealed firearm permits are valid  
32 for 4 years from the date of issue, unless sooner revoked for  
33 cause by the issuing authority, except for permits issued to  
34 retired law enforcement officers, which are valid for the life of  
35 the officer, unless revoked for cause by the issuing authority.  
36 If a permit renewal is issued before the expiration date of the  
37 permit being renewed or within 6 months of the expiration date of  
38 the permit being renewed, the permit renewal is valid for 4 years  
39 from the expiration date of the permit being renewed.

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**SUMMARY**

This bill allows a retired law enforcement officer to obtain  
a permit to carry a concealed firearm for life.