

1 HB42
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a retired military
9 veteran may receive a pistol permit at no cost.
10 Under existing law, a retired military veteran is
11 defined as a person who is a nondisability retiree
12 from active duty.

13 This bill would specify that all military
14 veterans who are retired from active duty may
15 receive a pistol permit at no cost.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT

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21 To amend Section 1 of Act 2016-342, now appearing as
22 Section 13A-11-75.1 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to further
23 provide for pistol permits for retired military veterans.
24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Act 2016-342, now appearing
2 as Section 13A-11-75.1 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 "§13A-11-75.1.

5 "(a) The words retired military veteran as used in
6 this section, unless the context clearly requires a different
7 meaning, means only those persons who are ~~nondisability~~
8 retirees from active duty in the Army, or the Navy, or the
9 Marine Corps, or the Air Force, or the Coast Guard of the
10 United States or any reserve or National Guard component
11 thereof.

12 "(b) Any retired military veteran who meets the
13 conditions for issuance of a pistol permit pursuant to Section
14 13A-11-75 shall be eligible to obtain the pistol permit
15 without paying a fee for the permit. Upon approval of the
16 pistol permit application, the pistol permit shall be issued
17 by the sheriff of the county in which the veteran resides upon
18 presentation by the retired military veteran of the United
19 States government issued Veteran Identification Card or a
20 DD-214 Proof of Military Service form and sufficient proof
21 that the person is a military retiree. The retired military
22 veteran shall apply for renewal as required by law, but shall
23 be eligible to obtain renewed pistol permits without paying a
24 fee as long as he or she meets the conditions for renewal of
25 the permit.

1 "(c) In the event a retired veteran, to whom a
2 pistol permit has been issued pursuant to subsection (b), is
3 suspected of or is charged with any crime, then the sheriff of
4 the county in which the retired veteran resides may revoke the
5 pistol permit. The sheriff shall notify the retired veteran in
6 writing and by registered mail that his or her pistol permit
7 is revoked. The sheriff shall state the reasons for the
8 revocation and order the retiree to return his or her pistol
9 permit to that sheriff within 30 days. Should the retired
10 veteran refuse to return the pistol permit within the 30-day
11 limit and continue to carry the handgun, he or she shall be
12 guilty of carrying a weapon without a license or carrying a
13 concealed weapon, whichever might be the case."

14 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
15 first day of the third month following its passage and
16 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.