

# Department of Finance and Administration

## Legislative Impact Statement

**Bill: SB444**

**Bill Subtitle: CONCERNING THE CARRYING AND POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN WITHOUT A LICENSE.**

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### Basic Change :

**Sponsor: Senator T. Garner**

With this still being a shell bill, the change to Arkansas law and possible impact to funding is unknown. It is possible a direct loss of revenue to State Police if the concealed handgun carry license application fees were to be eliminated.

### Revenue Impact :

Concealed handgun carry license (CHCL) fees are comprised of concealed handgun carry license fees for new licenses, new licenses for applicants age 65 and over, renewals, late fees, and duplicate licenses. All fees listed below also include associated fees including online application fees. CHCL fees collected (before DFA 1.65% Special Revenue Fees) for the current fiscal year and the prior four years are as follows:

**CHCL Fees (AASIS, and confirmed by Agency)**

**FY17 YTD: \$1,928,775**

**FY16: \$3,554,385**

**FY15: \$2,827,993**

**FY14: \$2,666,095**

**FY13: \$4,672,019**

### **Potential other revenue impacts:**

#### **Criminal History Background Check Fees**

Additional potential revenue losses are related to fees collected for State and Federal Criminal History Background Checks, as follows:

**State Background Fee** - \$25 (\$15 to ASP, \$10 ACIC) the State Police portion is deposited into SEF0100 to support the operation and maintenance of the State's Automated Fingerprint Identification System.

**Federal Background Fee** - \$12 (\$2 to ASP, \$10 to FBI) the State Police portion is deposited into SEF0100 fund to support the operation and maintenance of AFIS.

Receipts for CHCL application fees for fiscal years 2013 – 2016 average: \$3,430,123. Loss of revenues in corresponding criminal history check fees are estimated at \$583,120 - \$514,518, which is an additional \$15 or \$17 per application depending upon if the application was submitted electronically or by paper.

### Taxpayer Impact :

Unknown until bill is amended with substantive language.

### Resources Required :

None.

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**Time Required :**

None.

**Procedural Changes :**

It is possible that the collection of fees would discontinue.

**Other Comments :**

None.

**Legal Analysis :**

None.