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1 AN ACT Relating to clarifying the entities to be consulted when  
2 determining eligibility to possess a firearm; amending RCW 9.41.047,  
3 9.41.090, and 9.41.173; and reenacting and amending RCW 9.41.070.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.41.047 and 2009 c 293 s 2 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (1) At the time a person is convicted or found not guilty by reason  
8 of insanity of an offense making the person ineligible to possess a  
9 firearm, or at the time a person is committed by court order under RCW  
10 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, or chapter 10.77 RCW for  
11 mental health treatment, the convicting or committing court shall  
12 notify the person, orally and in writing, that the person must  
13 immediately surrender any concealed pistol license and that the person  
14 may not possess a firearm unless his or her right to do so is restored  
15 by a court of record. For purposes of this section a convicting court  
16 includes a court in which a person has been found not guilty by reason  
17 of insanity.

18 The convicting or committing court shall forward within three  
19 judicial days after conviction or entry of the commitment order a copy

1 of the person's driver's license or identicard, or comparable  
2 information, along with the date of conviction or commitment, to the  
3 department of licensing. When a person is committed by court order  
4 under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, or chapter 10.77  
5 RCW, for mental health treatment, the committing court also shall  
6 forward, within three judicial days after entry of the commitment  
7 order, a copy of the person's driver's license, or comparable  
8 information, along with the date of commitment, to the national instant  
9 criminal background check system index, denied persons file, created by  
10 the federal Brady handgun violence prevention act (P.L. 103-159).

11 (2) Upon receipt of the information provided for by subsection (1)  
12 of this section, the department of licensing shall determine if the  
13 convicted or committed person has a concealed pistol license. If the  
14 person does have a concealed pistol license, the department of  
15 licensing shall immediately notify the license-issuing authority which,  
16 upon receipt of such notification, shall immediately revoke the  
17 license.

18 (3)(a) A person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm, by  
19 reason of having been involuntarily committed for mental health  
20 treatment under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, chapter  
21 10.77 RCW, or equivalent statutes of another jurisdiction may, upon  
22 discharge, petition the superior court to have his or her right to  
23 possess a firearm restored.

24 (b) The petition may be brought in the superior court that ordered  
25 the involuntary commitment or the superior court of the county in which  
26 the petitioner resides.

27 (c) Except as provided in (d) of this subsection, the court shall  
28 restore the petitioner's right to possess a firearm if the petitioner  
29 proves by a preponderance of the evidence that:

30 (i) The petitioner is no longer required to participate in court-  
31 ordered inpatient or outpatient treatment;

32 (ii) The petitioner has successfully managed the condition related  
33 to the commitment;

34 (iii) The petitioner no longer presents a substantial danger to  
35 himself or herself, or the public; and

36 (iv) The symptoms related to the commitment are not reasonably  
37 likely to recur.

1 (d) If a preponderance of the evidence in the record supports a  
2 finding that the person petitioning the court has engaged in violence  
3 and that it is more likely than not that the person will engage in  
4 violence after his or her right to possess a firearm is restored, the  
5 person shall bear the burden of proving by clear, cogent, and  
6 convincing evidence that he or she does not present a substantial  
7 danger to the safety of others.

8 (e) When a person's right to possess a firearm has been restored  
9 under this subsection, the court shall forward, within three judicial  
10 days after entry of the restoration order, notification that the  
11 person's right to possess a firearm has been restored to the department  
12 of licensing(~~(, the department of social and health services,)~~) and the  
13 national instant criminal background check system index, denied persons  
14 file.

15 (4) No person who has been found not guilty by reason of insanity  
16 may petition a court for restoration of the right to possess a firearm  
17 unless the person meets the requirements for the restoration of the  
18 right to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040(4).

19 **Sec. 2.** RCW 9.41.070 and 2009 c 216 s 5 and 2009 c 59 s 1 are each  
20 reenacted and amended to read as follows:

21 (1) The chief of police of a municipality or the sheriff of a  
22 county shall within thirty days after the filing of an application of  
23 any person, issue a license to such person to carry a pistol concealed  
24 on his or her person within this state for five years from date of  
25 issue, for the purposes of protection or while engaged in business,  
26 sport, or while traveling. However, if the applicant does not have a  
27 valid permanent Washington driver's license or Washington state  
28 identification card or has not been a resident of the state for the  
29 previous consecutive ninety days, the issuing authority shall have up  
30 to sixty days after the filing of the application to issue a license.  
31 The issuing authority shall not refuse to accept completed applications  
32 for concealed pistol licenses during regular business hours.

33 The applicant's constitutional right to bear arms shall not be  
34 denied, unless:

35 (a) He or she is ineligible to possess a firearm under the  
36 provisions of RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045;

1 (b) The applicant's concealed pistol license is in a revoked  
2 status;

3 (c) He or she is under twenty-one years of age;

4 (d) He or she is subject to a court order or injunction regarding  
5 firearms pursuant to RCW 9A.46.080, 10.14.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045,  
6 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.10.040, 26.10.115, 26.26.130, 26.50.060,  
7 26.50.070, or 26.26.590;

8 (e) He or she is free on bond or personal recognizance pending  
9 trial, appeal, or sentencing for a felony offense;

10 (f) He or she has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest from  
11 any court of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor; or

12 (g) He or she has been ordered to forfeit a firearm under RCW  
13 9.41.098(1)(e) within one year before filing an application to carry a  
14 pistol concealed on his or her person.

15 No person convicted of a felony may have his or her right to  
16 possess firearms restored or his or her privilege to carry a concealed  
17 pistol restored, unless the person has been granted relief from  
18 disabilities by the attorney general under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 925(c), or  
19 RCW 9.41.040 (3) or (4) applies.

20 (2) The issuing authority shall (~~(check with the national crime~~  
21 ~~information center, the Washington state patrol electronic database,~~  
22 ~~the department of social and health services electronic database))~~  
23 conduct a check through the national instant criminal background check  
24 system, the Washington crime information center, the department of  
25 licensing, and ((with)) other agencies or resources as appropriate, to  
26 determine whether the applicant is ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 or  
27 9.41.045 to possess a firearm and therefore ineligible for a concealed  
28 pistol license. This subsection applies whether the applicant is  
29 applying for a new concealed pistol license or to renew a concealed  
30 pistol license.

31 (3) Any person whose firearms rights have been restricted and who  
32 has been granted relief from disabilities by the attorney general under  
33 18 U.S.C. Sec. 925(c) or who is exempt under 18 U.S.C. Sec.  
34 921(a)(20)(A) shall have his or her right to acquire, receive,  
35 transfer, ship, transport, carry, and possess firearms in accordance  
36 with Washington state law restored except as otherwise prohibited by  
37 this chapter.

1 (4) The license application shall bear the full name, residential  
2 address, telephone number at the option of the applicant, date and  
3 place of birth, race, gender, description, a complete set of  
4 fingerprints, and signature of the licensee, and the licensee's  
5 driver's license number or state identification card number if used for  
6 identification in applying for the license. A signed application for  
7 a concealed pistol license shall constitute a waiver of confidentiality  
8 and written request that the department of social and health services,  
9 mental health institutions, and other health care facilities release  
10 information relevant to the applicant's eligibility for a concealed  
11 pistol license to an inquiring court or law enforcement agency.

12 The application for an original license shall include two complete  
13 sets of fingerprints to be forwarded to the Washington state patrol.

14 The license and application shall contain a warning substantially  
15 as follows:

16 CAUTION: Although state and local laws do not differ, federal  
17 law and state law on the possession of firearms differ. If you  
18 are prohibited by federal law from possessing a firearm, you  
19 may be prosecuted in federal court. A state license is not a  
20 defense to a federal prosecution.

21 The license shall contain a description of the major differences  
22 between state and federal law and an explanation of the fact that local  
23 laws and ordinances on firearms are preempted by state law and must be  
24 consistent with state law. The application shall contain questions  
25 about the applicant's eligibility under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a  
26 pistol, the applicant's place of birth, and whether the applicant is a  
27 United States citizen. The applicant shall not be required to produce  
28 a birth certificate or other evidence of citizenship. A person who is  
29 not a citizen of the United States shall, if applicable, meet the  
30 additional requirements of RCW 9.41.173 and produce proof of compliance  
31 with RCW 9.41.173 upon application. The license may be in triplicate  
32 or in a form to be prescribed by the department of licensing.

33 The original thereof shall be delivered to the licensee, the  
34 duplicate shall within seven days be sent to the director of licensing  
35 and the triplicate shall be preserved for six years, by the authority  
36 issuing the license.

37 The department of licensing shall make available to law enforcement

1 and corrections agencies, in an on-line format, all information  
2 received under this subsection.

3 (5) The nonrefundable fee, paid upon application, for the original  
4 five-year license shall be thirty-six dollars plus additional charges  
5 imposed by the federal bureau of investigation that are passed on to  
6 the applicant. No other state or local branch or unit of government  
7 may impose any additional charges on the applicant for the issuance of  
8 the license.

9 The fee shall be distributed as follows:

10 (a) Fifteen dollars shall be paid to the state general fund;

11 (b) Four dollars shall be paid to the agency taking the  
12 fingerprints of the person licensed;

13 (c) Fourteen dollars shall be paid to the issuing authority for the  
14 purpose of enforcing this chapter; and

15 (d) Three dollars to the firearms range account in the general  
16 fund.

17 (6) The nonrefundable fee for the renewal of such license shall be  
18 thirty-two dollars. No other branch or unit of government may impose  
19 any additional charges on the applicant for the renewal of the license.

20 The renewal fee shall be distributed as follows:

21 (a) Fifteen dollars shall be paid to the state general fund;

22 (b) Fourteen dollars shall be paid to the issuing authority for the  
23 purpose of enforcing this chapter; and

24 (c) Three dollars to the firearms range account in the general  
25 fund.

26 (7) The nonrefundable fee for replacement of lost or damaged  
27 licenses is ten dollars to be paid to the issuing authority.

28 (8) Payment shall be by cash, check, or money order at the option  
29 of the applicant. Additional methods of payment may be allowed at the  
30 option of the issuing authority.

31 (9) A licensee may renew a license if the licensee applies for  
32 renewal within ninety days before or after the expiration date of the  
33 license. A license so renewed shall take effect on the expiration date  
34 of the prior license. A licensee renewing after the expiration date of  
35 the license must pay a late renewal penalty of ten dollars in addition  
36 to the renewal fee specified in subsection (6) of this section. The  
37 fee shall be distributed as follows:

1 (a) Three dollars shall be deposited in the state wildlife account  
2 and used exclusively first for the printing and distribution of a  
3 pamphlet on the legal limits of the use of firearms, firearms safety,  
4 and the preemptive nature of state law, and subsequently the support of  
5 volunteer instructors in the basic firearms safety training program  
6 conducted by the department of fish and wildlife. The pamphlet shall  
7 be given to each applicant for a license; and

8 (b) Seven dollars shall be paid to the issuing authority for the  
9 purpose of enforcing this chapter.

10 (10) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections (1) through  
11 (9) of this section, the chief of police of the municipality or the  
12 sheriff of the county of the applicant's residence may issue a  
13 temporary emergency license for good cause pending review under  
14 subsection (1) of this section. However, a temporary emergency license  
15 issued under this subsection shall not exempt the holder of the license  
16 from any records check requirement. Temporary emergency licenses shall  
17 be easily distinguishable from regular licenses.

18 (11) A political subdivision of the state shall not modify the  
19 requirements of this section or chapter, nor may a political  
20 subdivision ask the applicant to voluntarily submit any information not  
21 required by this section.

22 (12) A person who knowingly makes a false statement regarding  
23 citizenship or identity on an application for a concealed pistol  
24 license is guilty of false swearing under RCW 9A.72.040. In addition  
25 to any other penalty provided for by law, the concealed pistol license  
26 of a person who knowingly makes a false statement shall be revoked, and  
27 the person shall be permanently ineligible for a concealed pistol  
28 license.

29 (13) A person may apply for a concealed pistol license:

30 (a) To the municipality or to the county in which the applicant  
31 resides if the applicant resides in a municipality;

32 (b) To the county in which the applicant resides if the applicant  
33 resides in an unincorporated area; or

34 (c) Anywhere in the state if the applicant is a nonresident.

35 (14) Any person who, as a member of the armed forces, including the  
36 national guard and armed forces reserves, is unable to renew his or her  
37 license under subsections (6) and (9) of this section because of the  
38 person's assignment, reassignment, or deployment for out-of-state

1 military service may renew his or her license within ninety days after  
2 the person returns to this state from out-of-state military service, if  
3 the person provides the following to the issuing authority no later  
4 than ninety days after the person's date of discharge or assignment,  
5 reassignment, or deployment back to this state: (a) A copy of the  
6 person's original order designating the specific period of assignment,  
7 reassignment, or deployment for out-of-state military service, and (b)  
8 if appropriate, a copy of the person's discharge or amended or  
9 subsequent assignment, reassignment, or deployment order back to this  
10 state. A license so renewed under this subsection (14) shall take  
11 effect on the expiration date of the prior license. A licensee  
12 renewing after the expiration date of the license under this subsection  
13 (14) shall pay only the renewal fee specified in subsection (6) of this  
14 section and shall not be required to pay a late renewal penalty in  
15 addition to the renewal fee.

16 **Sec. 3.** RCW 9.41.090 and 1996 c 295 s 8 are each amended to read  
17 as follows:

18 (1) In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, no  
19 dealer may deliver a pistol to the purchaser thereof until:

20 (a) The purchaser produces a valid concealed pistol license and the  
21 dealer has recorded the purchaser's name, license number, and issuing  
22 agency, such record to be made in triplicate and processed as provided  
23 in subsection (5) of this section. For purposes of this subsection  
24 (1)(a), a "valid concealed pistol license" does not include a temporary  
25 emergency license, and does not include any license issued before July  
26 1, 1996, unless the issuing agency conducted a records search for  
27 disqualifying crimes under RCW 9.41.070 at the time of issuance;

28 (b) The dealer is notified in writing by the chief of police or the  
29 sheriff of the jurisdiction in which the purchaser resides that the  
30 purchaser is eligible to possess a pistol under RCW 9.41.040 and that  
31 the application to purchase is approved by the chief of police or  
32 sheriff; or

33 (c) Five business days, meaning days on which state offices are  
34 open, have elapsed from the time of receipt of the application for the  
35 purchase thereof as provided herein by the chief of police or sheriff  
36 designated in subsection (5) of this section, and, when delivered, the  
37 pistol shall be securely wrapped and shall be unloaded. However, if



1 the purchaser does not have a valid permanent Washington driver's  
2 license or state identification card or has not been a resident of the  
3 state for the previous consecutive ninety days, the waiting period  
4 under this subsection (1)(c) shall be up to sixty days.

5 (2)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, in determining  
6 whether the purchaser meets the requirements of RCW 9.41.040, the chief  
7 of police or sheriff, or the designee of either, shall (~~check with the~~  
8 ~~national crime information center, the Washington state patrol~~  
9 ~~electronic database, the department of social and health services~~  
10 ~~electronic database~~) conduct a check through the national instant  
11 criminal background check system, the Washington crime information  
12 center, the department of licensing, and ((with)) other agencies or  
13 resources as appropriate, to determine whether the applicant is  
14 ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm.

15 (b) Once the system is established, a dealer shall use the state  
16 system and national instant criminal background check system, provided  
17 for by the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act (18 U.S.C. Sec. 921 et  
18 seq.), to make criminal background checks of applicants to purchase  
19 firearms. However, a chief of police or sheriff, or a designee of  
20 either, shall continue to check (~~the department of social and health~~  
21 ~~services' electronic database and~~) with other agencies or resources as  
22 appropriate, to determine whether applicants are ineligible under RCW  
23 9.41.040 to possess a firearm.

24 (3) In any case under subsection (1)(c) of this section where the  
25 applicant has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest from any  
26 court of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor, the dealer  
27 shall hold the delivery of the pistol until the warrant for arrest is  
28 served and satisfied by appropriate court appearance. The local  
29 jurisdiction for purposes of the sale shall confirm the existence of  
30 outstanding warrants within seventy-two hours after notification of the  
31 application to purchase a pistol is received. The local jurisdiction  
32 shall also immediately confirm the satisfaction of the warrant on  
33 request of the dealer so that the hold may be released if the warrant  
34 was for an offense other than an offense making a person ineligible  
35 under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a pistol.

36 (4) In any case where the chief or sheriff of the local  
37 jurisdiction has reasonable grounds based on the following  
38 circumstances: (a) Open criminal charges, (b) pending criminal

1 proceedings, (c) pending commitment proceedings, (d) an outstanding  
2 warrant for an offense making a person ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to  
3 possess a pistol, or (e) an arrest for an offense making a person  
4 ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a pistol, if the records of  
5 disposition have not yet been reported or entered sufficiently to  
6 determine eligibility to purchase a pistol, the local jurisdiction may  
7 hold the sale and delivery of the pistol beyond five days up to thirty  
8 days in order to confirm existing records in this state or elsewhere.  
9 After thirty days, the hold will be lifted unless an extension of the  
10 thirty days is approved by a local district court or municipal court  
11 for good cause shown. A dealer shall be notified of each hold placed  
12 on the sale by local law enforcement and of any application to the  
13 court for additional hold period to confirm records or confirm the  
14 identity of the applicant.

15 (5) At the time of applying for the purchase of a pistol, the  
16 purchaser shall sign in triplicate and deliver to the dealer an  
17 application containing his or her full name, residential address, date  
18 and place of birth, race, and gender; the date and hour of the  
19 application; the applicant's driver's license number or state  
20 identification card number; a description of the pistol including the  
21 make, model, caliber and manufacturer's number if available at the time  
22 of applying for the purchase of a pistol. If the manufacturer's number  
23 is not available, the application may be processed, but delivery of the  
24 pistol to the purchaser may not occur unless the manufacturer's number  
25 is recorded on the application by the dealer and transmitted to the  
26 chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county in  
27 which the purchaser resides; and a statement that the purchaser is  
28 eligible to possess a pistol under RCW 9.41.040.

29 The application shall contain a warning substantially as follows:

30 CAUTION: Although state and local laws do not differ, federal  
31 law and state law on the possession of firearms differ. If you  
32 are prohibited by federal law from possessing a firearm, you  
33 may be prosecuted in federal court. State permission to  
34 purchase a firearm is not a defense to a federal prosecution.

35 The purchaser shall be given a copy of the department of fish and  
36 wildlife pamphlet on the legal limits of the use of firearms, firearms  
37 safety, and the fact that local laws and ordinances on firearms are  
38 preempted by state law and must be consistent with state law.

1 The dealer shall, by the end of the business day, sign and attach  
2 his or her address and deliver a copy of the application and such other  
3 documentation as required under subsection (1) of this section to the  
4 chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county of  
5 which the purchaser is a resident. The triplicate shall be retained by  
6 the dealer for six years. The dealer shall deliver the pistol to the  
7 purchaser following the period of time specified in this section unless  
8 the dealer is notified of an investigative hold under subsection (4) of  
9 this section in writing by the chief of police of the municipality or  
10 the sheriff of the county, whichever is applicable, denying the  
11 purchaser's application to purchase and the grounds thereof. The  
12 application shall not be denied unless the purchaser is not eligible to  
13 possess a pistol under RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045, or federal law.

14 The chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the  
15 county shall retain or destroy applications to purchase a pistol in  
16 accordance with the requirements of 18 U.S.C. Sec. 922.

17 (6) A person who knowingly makes a false statement regarding  
18 identity or eligibility requirements on the application to purchase a  
19 pistol is guilty of false swearing under RCW 9A.72.040.

20 (7) This section does not apply to sales to licensed dealers for  
21 resale or to the sale of antique firearms.

22 **Sec. 4.** RCW 9.41.173 and 2009 c 216 s 3 are each amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 (1) In order to obtain an alien firearm license, a nonimmigrant  
25 alien residing in Washington must apply to the sheriff of the county in  
26 which he or she resides.

27 (2) The sheriff of the county shall within sixty days after the  
28 filing of an application of a nonimmigrant alien residing in the state  
29 of Washington, issue an alien firearm license to such person to carry  
30 or possess a firearm for the purposes of hunting and sport shooting.  
31 The license shall be good for two years. The issuing authority shall  
32 not refuse to accept completed applications for alien firearm licenses  
33 during regular business hours. An application for a license may not be  
34 denied, unless the applicant's alien firearm license is in a revoked  
35 status, or the applicant:

36 (a) Is ineligible to possess a firearm under the provisions of RCW  
37 9.41.040 or 9.41.045;

1 (b) Is subject to a court order or injunction regarding firearms  
2 pursuant to RCW 9A.46.080, 10.14.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045, 26.09.050,  
3 26.09.060, 26.10.040, 26.10.115, 26.26.130, 26.50.060, 26.50.070, or  
4 26.26.590;

5 (c) Is free on bond or personal recognizance pending trial, appeal,  
6 or sentencing for a felony offense; or

7 (d) Has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest from any court  
8 of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor.

9 No license application shall be granted to a nonimmigrant alien  
10 convicted of a felony unless the person has been granted relief from  
11 disabilities by the attorney general under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 925(c), or  
12 unless RCW 9.41.040 (3) or (4) applies.

13 (3) The sheriff shall (~~check with the national crime information~~  
14 ~~center, the Washington state patrol electronic database, the department~~  
15 ~~of social and health services electronic database)) conduct a check  
16 through the national instant criminal background check system, the  
17 Washington crime information center, the department of licensing, and  
18 (~~with~~) other agencies or resources as appropriate, to determine  
19 whether the applicant is ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045 to  
20 possess a firearm.~~

21 (4) The license application shall bear the full name, residential  
22 address, telephone number at the option of the applicant, date and  
23 place of birth, race, gender, description, not more than two complete  
24 sets of fingerprints, and signature of the applicant, a copy of the  
25 applicant's passport and visa showing the applicant is in the country  
26 legally, and a valid Washington hunting license or documentation that  
27 the applicant is a member of a sport shooting club.

28 A signed application for an alien firearm license shall constitute  
29 a waiver of confidentiality and written request that the department of  
30 social and health services, mental health institutions, and other  
31 health care facilities release information relevant to the applicant's  
32 eligibility for an alien firearm license to an inquiring court or law  
33 enforcement agency.

34 The application for an original license shall include a complete  
35 set of fingerprints to be forwarded to the Washington state patrol.

36 The license and application shall contain a warning substantially  
37 as follows:

38 CAUTION: Although state and local laws do not differ, federal

1 law and state law on the possession of firearms differ. If you  
2 are prohibited by federal law from possessing a firearm, you  
3 may be prosecuted in federal court. A state license is not a  
4 defense to a federal prosecution.

5 The license shall contain a description of the major differences  
6 between state and federal law and an explanation of the fact that local  
7 laws and ordinances on firearms are preempted by state law and must be  
8 consistent with state law. The application shall contain questions  
9 about the applicant's eligibility under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a  
10 firearm. The nonimmigrant alien applicant shall be required to produce  
11 a passport and visa as evidence of being in the country legally.

12 The license may be in triplicate or in a form to be prescribed by  
13 the department of licensing. The original thereof shall be delivered  
14 to the licensee, the duplicate shall within seven days be sent to the  
15 director of licensing and the triplicate shall be preserved for six  
16 years, by the authority issuing the license.

17 The department of licensing shall make available to law enforcement  
18 and corrections agencies, in an online format, all information received  
19 under this section.

20 (5) The sheriff has the authority to collect a nonrefundable fee,  
21 paid upon application, for the two-year license. The fee shall be  
22 fifty dollars plus additional charges imposed by the Washington state  
23 patrol and the federal bureau of investigation that are passed on to  
24 the applicant. No other state or local branch or unit of government  
25 may impose any additional charges on the applicant for the issuance of  
26 the license. The fee shall be retained by the sheriff.

27 (6) Payment shall be by cash, check, or money order at the option  
28 of the applicant. Additional methods of payment may be allowed at the  
29 option of the sheriff.

30 (7) A political subdivision of the state shall not modify the  
31 requirements of this section, nor may a political subdivision ask the  
32 applicant to voluntarily submit any information not required by this  
33 section.

34 (8) A person who knowingly makes a false statement regarding  
35 citizenship or identity on an application for an alien firearm license  
36 is guilty of false swearing under RCW 9A.72.040. In addition to any  
37 other penalty provided for by law, the alien firearm license of a

1 person who knowingly makes a false statement shall be revoked, and the  
2 person shall be permanently ineligible for an alien firearm license.

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