## Concealed Carry Licensure and Off-duty Officers; HB 2052

**HB 2052** amends provisions of the Kansas Personal and Family Protection Act (Act) concerning the issuance of provisional and standard concealed carry licenses and the carrying of a concealed handgun by an off-duty law enforcement officer (officer).

## Issuance of Concealed Carry Licenses

Under continuing law, a person who is at least 18 years of age may obtain a provisional concealed carry license if they meet the statutory requirements and follow the application procedures and requirements. A provisional license expires four years after being issued.

The bill allows any person holding a provisional concealed carry license to request a standard license upon turning 21 years of age. If issued, the standard license would expire upon the end of the term of the originally issued provisional license. Continuing law requires the Attorney General to issue a standard license to the licensee upon the expiration of the provisional license's term, or renew a standard license, provided the holder continues to be eligible.

The bill requires the Attorney General to notify each person who holds a provisional license, at least 60 days prior to their 21st birthday, so that they could apply for a standard license that could be issued on their 21st birthday.

The bill specifies that the national criminal history records check that each applicant would be subject to will include an inquiry of the National Instant Criminal Background Check System. [Note: This provision is related to compliance with U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives regulations.]

## Surrender of a Concealed Carry License

The bill requires the holder of a concealed carry license to surrender the physical license card or authorization document to the Division of Vehicles of the Department of Revenue upon the suspension or revocation of the license. Upon receipt by the Division of Vehicles, the license card or authorization document will be destroyed. Upon the conclusion of such suspension, the Attorney General is directed to issue an authorization document for the license to be reissued for the remaining unexpired portion of the term of the license.

The bill permits the Attorney General to impose a fee of up to \$250 on any licensee who fails to surrender a license within 30 days after written notification has been sent. The bill requires all fees collected by the Attorney General to be remitted to the State Treasurer, who will deposit the entire amount in the State Treasury and credit the entire amount to the Concealed Handgun Licensure Fund.

## **Off-duty Officers**

Continuing law allows an officer to carry a concealed handgun in any building where an on-duty officer could carry such weapon, regardless of whether the building has restricted the carrying of concealed handguns, pursuant to the Act and provided the officer otherwise complies with conditions listed in the Act.

The bill prohibits, in buildings where an officer may carry a concealed handgun, any person of authority for the building from requiring, requesting, or recording personal information of the officer. That personal information includes, but is not limited to, the officer's:

- Email address;
- Home phone number; or
- Home address.

The bill also prohibits requiring an officer to wear anything identifying the officer's status as a law enforcement officer or as being armed.