#### SESSION OF 2023

#### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2412

#### As Recommended by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

#### Brief\*

HB 2412 would amend the Personal and Family Protection Act to remove certain fees paid by persons who have applied for a concealed carry license (CCL) or who are seeking renewal of such license, specifying no such fees would be required to be paid except to cover the cost of taking fingerprints.

### Issuance of a Concealed Carry License

Pursuant to current law, CCL issuance fees total \$132.50, which is required to be paid in the form of two cashier's checks, personal checks, or money orders in the amount of:

- \$100 payable to the Attorney General; and
- \$32.50 payable to the sheriff of the county where the applicant resides.

The bill would remove the \$100 fee payable to the Attorney General. The bill would specify a fee in the amount of \$32.50, which will be payable for the cost of covering the taking of fingerprints as required by continuing law.

<sup>\*</sup>Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org

### Concealed Carry License Card

The bill would also remove a \$16 fee paid to the Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR) for issuance and renewal of the CCL card.

# Concealed Carry License Renewal

Under current law, CCLs may be renewed by paying a fee of \$25 among other requirements. The bill would remove that fee and the late fee of \$15 for the failure to renew the CCL.

# Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of Representative Schmoe.

# House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by Representative Schmoe, the Attorney General, and a representative of the Kansas State Rifle Association. The proponents stated removal of the fee would allow more Kansans to be trained and licensed and that Kansas would become the second state in the country without a CCL fee.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by a private citizen. No other testimony was provided.

# **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared on the bill by the Division of the Budget, the Office of the Attorney General states that deleting the fees would result in the loss of approximately \$1.2 million in fee fund revenues for FY 2024. Those fees are used to pay the salaries, wages, and operating expenses of the CCL Unit. If the bill were enacted, the agency would require State General Funds (SGF) to replace the loss of fee fund revenues and to operate the Unit.

KDOR indicates that over the past five years it has issued an average of 21,139 CCL each year. Of the \$16 fee, \$8 is paid to the vendor and \$8 is deposited into the State Highway Fund. The total loss of revenue would be \$338,224 in FY 2024. If the bill were enacted, the agency states the Driver's License Photo Fee Fund would be used to pay the \$8 that is paid to the vendor. In addition, the agency would need to remove the fees for a CCL in its KanLicense system, which would require four hours of development work and two hours of testing, for a total cost of \$250 from the SGF.

Personal and Family Protection Act; concealed carry; permit; fee; Attorney General