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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1006

Introduced by Assembly Member Ramos

February 20, 2025

An act to amend ~~Section 26150~~ Sections 26150, 26155, 26162, 26200, 26202, and 26220 of the Penal Code, relating to firearms.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 1006, as amended, Ramos. Firearms: concealed carry.

Existing law prohibits a person from carrying a concealed firearm or carrying a loaded firearm in public. Existing law requires a licensing authority to issue or renew a license *for a person to carry a concealed firearm* if specified conditions are met, including, among others, that the applicant is not a disqualified person for the license, as specified, and the applicant ~~has completed a specified course of training~~. *is the recorded owner of the firearm with the Department of Justice. Existing law deems an applicant to be a disqualified person and cannot receive or renew a license if, among other reasons, the applicant is reasonably likely to be a danger to self, others, or the community at large, or, in the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving the completed application, the applicant has been charged with any certain offense that was dismissed pursuant to a plea or dismissed with a waiver, as specified. Under existing law, a license issued pursuant to these provisions is valid for a period not to exceed 2 years from the date of the license, and any person who files an application knowing that any statement in the application is false is guilty of a misdemeanor.*

~~This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.~~

This bill would also treat the spouse of the recorded owner of the firearm as the recorded owner for licensing purposes. The bill would include additional specified acts that would deem an applicant as a disqualified person, including providing any inaccurate or incomplete information in connection with the application or, in the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving the completed application for a new license or a license renewal, the applicant has been charged with certain offenses, including knowingly and willingly threatening the life of any elected public official and other specified persons. By expanding the application of an existing crime and expanding the scope of the crime of perjury, this bill would create a state-mandated local program. The bill would make other conforming changes.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~-yes.
State-mandated local program: ~~no~~-yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 26150 of the Penal Code is amended to
- 2 read:
- 3 26150. (a) If a person applies for a new license or license
- 4 renewal to carry a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of
- 5 being concealed upon the person, the sheriff of a county shall issue
- 6 or renew a license to that person upon proof of all of the following:
- 7 (1) The applicant is not a disqualified person to receive such a
- 8 license, as determined in accordance with the standards set forth
- 9 in Section 26202.
- 10 (2) The applicant is at least 21 years of age, and presents clear
- 11 evidence of the person's identity and age, as defined in Section
- 12 16400.
- 13 (3) The applicant is a resident of the county or a city within the
- 14 county, or the applicant's principal place of employment or
- 15 business is in the county or a city within the county and the
- 16 applicant spends a substantial period of time in that place of
- 17 employment or business. Prima facie evidence of residency within

1 the county or a city within the county includes, but is not limited
2 to, the address where the applicant is registered to vote, the
3 applicant's filing of a homeowner's property tax exemption, and
4 other acts, occurrences, or events that indicate presence in the
5 county or a city within the county is more than temporary or
6 transient. The presumption of residency in the county or city within
7 the county may be rebutted by satisfactory evidence that the
8 applicant's primary residence is in another county or city within
9 the county.

10 (4) The applicant has completed a course of training as described
11 in Section 26165.

12 (5) The applicant is the recorded owner, with the Department
13 of Justice, of the pistol, revolver, or other firearm for which the
14 license will be ~~issued~~ *issued, or the spouse of the recorded owner*.

15 (b) The sheriff shall issue or renew a license under subdivision
16 (a) in either of the following formats:

17 (1) A license to carry concealed a pistol, revolver, or other
18 firearm capable of being concealed upon the person.

19 (2) Where the population of the county is less than 200,000
20 persons according to the most recent federal decennial census, a
21 license to carry loaded and exposed in only that county a pistol,
22 revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the
23 person.

24 (c) (1) Nothing in this chapter shall preclude the sheriff of the
25 county from entering into an agreement with the chief or other
26 head of a municipal police department of a city to process all
27 applications for licenses, renewals of licenses, or amendments to
28 licenses pursuant to this chapter, in lieu of the sheriff.

29 (2) This subdivision shall only apply to applicants who reside
30 within the city in which the chief or other head of the municipal
31 police department has agreed to process applications for licenses,
32 renewals of licenses, and amendments to licenses, pursuant to this
33 chapter.

34 *SEC. 2. Section 26155 of the Penal Code is amended to read:*

35 26155. (a) When a person applies for a new license or license
36 renewal to carry a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of
37 being concealed upon the person, the chief or other head of a
38 municipal police department of any city or city and county shall
39 issue or renew a license to that person upon proof of all of the
40 following:

1 (1) The applicant is not a disqualified person to receive such a
2 license, as determined in accordance with the standards set forth
3 in Section 26202.

4 (2) The applicant is at least 21 years of age, and presents clear
5 evidence of the person's identity and age, as defined in Section
6 16400.

7 (3) The applicant is a resident of that city or city and county.
8 Prima facie evidence of residency within the county or a city within
9 the county includes, but is not limited to, the address where the
10 applicant is registered to vote, the applicant's filing of a
11 homeowner's property tax exemption, and other acts, occurrences,
12 or events that indicate presence in the county or a city within the
13 county is more than temporary or transient. The presumption of
14 residency in the county or city within the county may be rebutted
15 by satisfactory evidence that the applicant's primary residence is
16 in another county or city within the county.

17 (4) The applicant has completed a course of training as described
18 in Section 26165.

19 (5) The applicant is the recorded owner, with the Department
20 of Justice, of the pistol, revolver, or other firearm for which the
21 license will be ~~issued~~ *issued, or the spouse of the recorded owner.*

22 (b) The chief or other head of a municipal police department
23 shall issue or renew a license under subdivision (a) in either of the
24 following formats:

25 (1) A license to carry concealed a pistol, revolver, or other
26 firearm capable of being concealed upon the person.

27 (2) Where the population of the county in which the city is
28 located is less than 200,000 persons according to the most recent
29 federal decennial census, a license to carry loaded and exposed in
30 only that county a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of
31 being concealed upon the person.

32 (c) Nothing in this chapter shall preclude the chief or other head
33 of a municipal police department of any city from entering an
34 agreement with the sheriff of the county in which the city is located
35 for the sheriff to process all applications for licenses, renewals of
36 licenses, and amendments to licenses, pursuant to this chapter.

37 *SEC. 3. Section 26162 of the Penal Code is amended to read:*

38 26162. (a) Prior to the issuance of a license, renewal of a
39 license, or amendment to a license, each licensing authority with
40 direct access to the designated Department of Justice system shall

1 determine if the applicant is the recorded owner *or the spouse of*
2 *the recorded owner* of the particular pistol, revolver, or other
3 firearm capable of being concealed upon the person reported in
4 the application for a license or the application for the amendment
5 to a license under this chapter.

6 (b) An agency with direct access to the designated Department
7 of Justice system shall confirm the applicant's information with
8 firearm ownership maintained in the system. An agency without
9 access to the system shall confirm this information with the sheriff
10 of the county in which the agency is located.

11 *SEC. 4. Section 26200 of the Penal Code is amended to read:*

12 26200. (a) While carrying a firearm as authorized by a license
13 issued pursuant to this chapter, a licensee shall not do any of the
14 following:

15 (1) Consume an alcoholic beverage or controlled substance as
16 described in Sections 11053 to 11058, inclusive, of the Health and
17 Safety Code.

18 (2) Be in a place having a primary purpose of dispensing
19 alcoholic beverages for onsite consumption.

20 (3) Be under the influence of any alcoholic beverage,
21 medication, or controlled substance as described in Sections 11053
22 to 11058, inclusive, of the Health and Safety Code.

23 (4) Carry a firearm not listed on the license or a firearm for
24 which they are not the recorded ~~owner~~ *owner or the spouse of the*
25 *recorded owner*. This paragraph does not apply to a licensee who
26 was issued a license pursuant to Section 26170, in which case they
27 may carry a firearm that is registered to the agency for which the
28 licensee has been deputized or appointed to serve as a peace officer,
29 and the licensee carries the firearm consistent with that agency's
30 policies.

31 (5) Falsely represent to a person that the licensee is a peace
32 officer.

33 (6) Engage in an unjustified display of a deadly weapon.

34 (7) Fail to carry the license on their person.

35 (8) Impede a peace officer in the conduct of their activities.

36 (9) Refuse to display the license or to provide the firearm to a
37 peace officer upon demand for purposes of inspecting the firearm.

38 (10) Violate any federal, state, or local criminal law.

39 (b) In addition to the restrictions and conditions listed in
40 subdivision (a), a license issued pursuant to this chapter may also

1 include any reasonable restrictions or conditions that the licensing
2 authority deems warranted, including restrictions as to the time,
3 place, manner, and circumstances under which a licensee may
4 carry a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed
5 upon the person.

6 (c) Any restrictions imposed pursuant to subdivision (b) shall
7 be indicated on any license issued.

8 (d) A licensee authorized to carry a firearm pursuant to this
9 chapter shall not carry more than two firearms under the licensee's
10 control at one time.

11 *SEC. 5. Section 26202 of the Penal Code is amended to read:*

12 26202. (a) Unless a court makes a contrary determination
13 pursuant to Section 26206, an applicant shall be deemed to be a
14 disqualified person and cannot receive or renew a license pursuant
15 to Section 26150, 26155, or 26170 if the applicant:

16 (1) Is reasonably likely to be a danger to self, others, or the
17 community at large, as demonstrated by anything in the application
18 for a license or through the investigation described in subdivision
19 (b), or as shown by the results of any psychological assessment,
20 including, but not limited to, the assessment described in
21 subdivision (e) of Section 26190.

22 (2) Has been convicted of contempt of court under Section 166.

23 (3) Has been subject to any restraining order, protective order,
24 or other type of court order issued pursuant to the following
25 statutory provisions, unless that order—~~expired~~ *expired*, *was*
26 *dismissed*, or was vacated or otherwise canceled more than five
27 years prior to the licensing authority receiving the completed
28 application:

29 (A) Section 646.91 or Part 3 (commencing with Section 6240)
30 of Division 10 of the Family Code.

31 (B) Part 4 (commencing with Section 6300) of Division 10 of
32 the Family Code.

33 (C) Sections 136.2 and 18100.

34 (D) Section 527.6, 527.8, or 527.85 of the Code of Civil
35 Procedure.

36 (E) Section 213.5, 304, 362.4, 726.5, or 15657.03 of the Welfare
37 and Institutions Code.

38 (4) In the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving the
39 completed application for a new license or a license renewal, has

1 been convicted of an offense listed in Section 422.6, 422.7, 422.75,
2 or 29805.

3 (5) Has engaged in an unlawful or reckless use, display, or
4 brandishing of a firearm.

5 (6) In the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving the
6 completed application for a new license or a license renewal, has
7 been charged with any offense listed in Section 290, 667.5, 1192.7,
8 1192.8, or 29805 that was dismissed pursuant to a plea or dismissed
9 with a waiver pursuant to *People v. Harvey* (1979) 25 Cal.3d 754.

10 (7) In the five years prior to the licensing authority receiving
11 the completed application for a new license or a license renewal,
12 has been committed to or incarcerated in county jail or state prison
13 for, or on probation, parole, postrelease community supervision,
14 or mandatory supervision as a result of, a conviction of an offense,
15 an element of which involves controlled substances, as described
16 in Sections 11053 to 11058, inclusive, of the Health and Safety
17 Code, or alcohol.

18 (8) Is currently abusing controlled substances, as described in
19 Sections 11053 to 11058, inclusive, of the Health and Safety Code,
20 or alcohol.

21 (9) In the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving the
22 completed application for a new license or a license renewal, has
23 experienced the loss or theft of multiple firearms due to the
24 applicant's lack of compliance with federal, state, or local law
25 regarding storing, transporting, or securing the firearm. For
26 purposes of this paragraph, "multiple firearms" includes a loss of
27 more than one firearm on the same occasion, or the loss of a single
28 firearm on more than one occasion.

29 (10) Failed to report a loss of a firearm as required by Section
30 25250 or any other state, federal, or local law requiring the
31 reporting of the loss of a firearm.

32 (11) *Provided any inaccurate or incomplete information in*
33 *connection with an application for a new license or a license*
34 *renewal.*

35 (12) *In the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving*
36 *the completed application for a new license or a license renewal,*
37 *has been charged with an offense listed in Section 71, 76, 422, or*
38 *626.8.*

39 (13) *Is a validated gang member.*

1 *(14) In the 10 years prior to the licensing authority receiving*
2 *the completed application for a new license or a license renewal,*
3 *has been convicted of an offense that does not preclude the*
4 *person's lawful possession of a firearm but is an offense involving*
5 *violence against a person, a crime of moral turpitude, an offense*
6 *that could be charged as a felony or misdemeanor that is*
7 *adjudicated as a misdemeanor, or an offense charged as a felony*
8 *that is adjudicated as a misdemeanor.*

9 (b) In determining whether an applicant is a disqualified person
10 and cannot receive or renew a license in accordance with
11 subdivision (a) of this section, the licensing authority shall conduct
12 an investigation that meets all of the following minimum
13 requirements:

14 (1) An in-person interview with the applicant. For renewal
15 applications, the licensing authority may elect to forgo this
16 requirement.

17 (2) In-person, virtual, or telephonic interviews with at least three
18 character references, at least one of whom must be a person
19 described in subdivision (b) of Section 273.5, if applicable, and at
20 least one of whom must be the applicant's cohabitant, if applicable.
21 For renewal applications, the licensing authority may elect to forgo
22 this requirement.

23 (3) A review of publicly available information about the
24 applicant, including publicly available statements published or
25 posted by the applicant.

26 (4) A review of all information provided in the application for
27 a license.

28 (5) A review of all information provided by the Department of
29 Justice in accordance with subdivision (a) of, paragraph (2) of
30 subdivision (b) of, and paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) of Section
31 26185, as well as firearms eligibility notices or any other
32 information subsequently provided to the licensing authority
33 regarding the applicant.

34 (6) A review of the information in the California Restraining
35 and Protective Order System accessible through the California
36 Law Enforcement Telecommunications System.

37 (c) In determining whether an applicant is a disqualified person
38 and cannot receive or renew a license in accordance with
39 subdivision (a), nothing in this section precludes the licensing

1 authority from engaging in investigative efforts in addition to those
2 listed in subdivision (b).

3 (d) Within 90 days of receiving the completed application for
4 a new license or a license renewal, the licensing authority shall
5 give written notice to the applicant of the licensing authority's
6 initial determination, based on its investigation thus far, of whether
7 an applicant is a disqualified person pursuant to Section 26150,
8 26155, or 26170 as follows:

9 (1) If the licensing authority makes an initial determination that,
10 based on its investigation thus far, the applicant is not a disqualified
11 person, the notice shall inform the applicant to proceed with the
12 training requirements specified in Section 26165. The licensing
13 authority shall then submit the applicant's fingerprints or the
14 renewal notification to the Department of Justice in accordance
15 with Section 26185.

16 (2) If, within 90 days of receiving the completed application
17 for a new license or a license renewal, the licensing authority
18 determines that the applicant is a disqualified person, the notice
19 shall inform the applicant that the request for a license has been
20 denied, state the reason as to why the determination was made,
21 and inform the applicant that they may request a hearing from a
22 court, as outlined in Section 26206. A licensing authority providing
23 notice under this paragraph informing the applicant that the request
24 for a license has been denied satisfies the requirement to provide
25 notice of a denial of a license pursuant to Section 26205.

26 (e) The prohibitions listed in subdivision (a) shall apply whether
27 or not the relevant conduct, order, conviction, charge, commitment,
28 or other relevant action took place or was issued or entered before
29 the effective date of the act that added this subdivision.

30 *SEC. 6. Section 26220 of the Penal Code is amended to read:*

31 26220. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section and
32 in subdivision (c) of Section 26210, a license issued *on or after*
33 *January 1, 2026*, pursuant to Section 26150 or 26155 is valid for
34 any period of time not to exceed ~~two~~ *four* years from the date of
35 the license.

36 (b) If the licensee's place of employment or business was the
37 basis for issuance of a license pursuant to Section 26150, the
38 license is valid for any period of time not to exceed 90 days from
39 the date of the license, unless the license was issued pursuant to
40 subdivision (d). The license shall be valid only in the county in

1 which the license was originally issued. The licensee shall give a
2 copy of this license to the licensing authority of the city, county,
3 or city and county in which the licensee resides. The licensing
4 authority that originally issued the license shall inform the licensee
5 verbally and in writing in at least 16-point type of this obligation
6 to give a copy of the license to the licensing authority of the city,
7 county, or city and county of residence. Any application to renew
8 or extend the validity of, or reissue, the license may be granted
9 only upon the concurrence of the licensing authority that originally
10 issued the license and the licensing authority of the city, county,
11 or city and county in which the licensee resides.

12 ~~(e) A license issued pursuant to Section 26150 or 26155 is valid~~
13 ~~for any period of time not to exceed three years from the date of~~
14 ~~the license if the license is issued to any of the following~~
15 ~~individuals:~~

16 ~~(1) A judge of a California court of record.~~

17 ~~(2) A full-time court commissioner of a California court of~~
18 ~~record.~~

19 ~~(3) A judge of a federal court.~~

20 ~~(4) A magistrate of a federal court.~~

21 ~~(d)~~

22 (c) A license issued pursuant to Section 26150 or 26155 is valid
23 for any period of time not to exceed four years from the date of
24 the license if the license is issued to a custodial officer who is an
25 employee of the sheriff as provided in Section 831.5, except that
26 the license shall be invalid upon the conclusion of the person's
27 employment pursuant to Section 831.5 if the four-year period has
28 not otherwise expired or any other condition imposed pursuant to
29 this article does not limit the validity of the license to a shorter
30 time period.

31 ~~(e)~~

32 (d) A license issued pursuant to Section 26170 to a peace officer
33 appointed pursuant to Section 830.6 is valid for any period of time
34 not to exceed four years from the date of the license, except that
35 the license shall be invalid upon the conclusion of the person's
36 appointment pursuant to Section 830.6 if the four-year period has
37 not otherwise expired or any other condition imposed pursuant to
38 this article does not limit the validity of the license to a shorter
39 time period.

1 *SEC. 7. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to*
2 *Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because*
3 *the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school*
4 *district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or*
5 *infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty*
6 *for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of*
7 *the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within*
8 *the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California*
9 *Constitution.*

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