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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6225

BILL NUMBER: SB 32

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 15, 2005

BILL AMENDED: Jan 6, 2005

SUBJECT: Handgun Licenses and Noncitizens.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Zakas BILL STATUS: As Passed - Senate

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Ulmer

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: This bill permits the issuance of a license to carry a handgun only to: (1) citizens; and (2) noncitizens who are allowed under federal law to carry a firearm in the United States.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: The Indiana State Police currently collect information concerning nationality and citizenship on applications for handgun licensure, but they do not record this information in a database because it does not disqualify an applicant under current state law. Under the bill, only citizens and noncitizens who are allowed under federal law to carry a firearm may be issued a license. There are no data readily available to indicate how many fewer licenses would be issued under the bill.

According to current state law, the fee for a qualified handgun license for hunting and target practice is \$5 and for an unlimited handgun license for the protection of life and property is \$15. Fees from handgun licenses are deposited in the state General Fund. FY 2003 revenues for handgun licenses were \$1.1 M, and according to the State Police, there are between 50,000 and 80,000 applications processed each year.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

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State Agencies Affected: Indiana State Police.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Indiana State Police.

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