

SENATE BILL 1802

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38,
Chapter 8, Part 1 and Title 39, Chapter 17, Part
13, relative to retired law enforcement officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-116(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (8) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(8)

(A) A retired officer shall not be required to undergo a criminal history background check or comply with other requirements of this subsection (c) or subsection (b) to maintain certification or recertify under this subsection (c) to carry a firearm. No retired officer shall be required to undergo any criminal history background check or comply with other requirements of this subsection (c) or subsection (b) after obtaining initial certification under this subsection (c) to carry a firearm.

(B) If a retired officer recertifies under this subsection (c) within six (6) months from the date of expiration of the four-year certification period, then the retired officer shall not be required to complete any additional criminal history background check or other requirements of subsection (b) or this subsection (c). Any retired officer whose certification to carry a firearm under this subsection (c) expires and who applies for a recertification within six (6) months from the date of expiration shall only be required to pay any applicable fee for recertification and to comply with any recertification application requirements. If the recertification

application is filed six (6) months or more from the date of expiration, then the retired officer shall, for all purposes, be considered a new applicant.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.