



# NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Session 2019

## Legislative Fiscal Note

**Short Title:** Gun Violence Prevention Act.  
**Bill Number:** House Bill 86 (First Edition)  
**Sponsor(s):** Representatives Clark, Morey, Harrison, and Willingham

### SUMMARY TABLE

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF H.B. 86, V.1 (\$ in millions)

	<u>FY 2019-20</u>	<u>FY 2020-21</u>	<u>FY 2021-22</u>	<u>FY 2022-23</u>	<u>FY 2023-24</u>
<b>State Impact</b>					
General Fund Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
Less Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-
<b>General Fund Impact</b>	<b>No Estimate Available - Refer to Fiscal Analysis section</b>				

<b>NET STATE IMPACT</b>	<b>No Estimate Available - Refer to Fiscal Analysis section</b>				
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<b>Local Impact</b>					
Local Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
Less Local Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-

<b>NET LOCAL IMPACT</b>	<b>No Estimate Available - Refer to Fiscal Analysis section</b>				
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### FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY

HB 86 amends or creates provisions pertaining to the sale and ownership of firearms. Section 1 requires Sheriffs' offices to expand the pistol permit requirement to include assault weapons and long guns. Section 5 requires the Department of Justice (DOJ) to compile a list of states that issue handgun permits that have a similar level of stringency in the issuance of permits. Section 10 requires a maintenance of records for firearms ordered destroyed. Finally, Section 11 requires the Department of Public Safety to develop a list of weapons that meet certain safety criteria.

The costs related to the criminal penalties outlined in the bill are addressed in the related incarceration note for version 1 of this bill.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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### **Section 1**

The Sheriffs' Association asserts the bill will have an impact on sheriffs because shotguns, rifles, and assault weapons will be added to the list of weapons that require a permit. The sheriffs may require additional personnel to meet the increased demand for permits, and they express concern about the \$5.00 permit fee being inadequate to address the demand created. The fiscal impact cannot be determined.

### **Section 5**

The bill requires DOJ to identify and compile a list of states that issue a concealed handgun permit that complies with criteria as stringent as required in North Carolina. DOJ requests an Attorney II position and a Criminal Justice Specialist to work on the permit process. The impact on DOJ cannot be determined at this time.

### **Section 10**

The Sheriffs express concern about the potential fiscal impact of storing weapons that would need to be destroyed if they don't meet the safety requirements required under this section. The impact cannot be quantified at this time.

### **Section 11**

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) is required to develop a list of handgun that meet certain design and safety standards. There may be an impact on DPS but it cannot be determined.

## **TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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N/A.

## **DATA SOURCES**

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## **LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE – PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS**

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## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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