

FINAL**NO FISCAL IMPACT****Drafting Number:** LLS 07-0656**Date:** May 22, 2007**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. White
Sen. Bacon**Bill Status:** Signed into Law**Fiscal Analyst:** Marc Carey (303-866-4102)

TITLE: CONCERNING A REPEAL OF THE PROHIBITION AGAINST A STATEWIDE DATABASE FOR PERSONS HOLDING PERMITS TO CARRY CONCEALED HANDGUNS.

Summary of Assessment

This bill extends the July 1, 2007, sunset date on the statewide database of permits for carrying a concealed handgun to July 1, 2011. Except for suspected violations of carrying concealed weapons, the bill also prohibits a peace officer from using or searching such a database to establish reasonable suspicion for a traffic stop, to justify probable cause, or for search and seizure of a person's vehicle or property.

In addition, the bill requires the State Auditor to conduct a performance audit of the statewide database of concealed carry permittees. At a minimum, the audit is required to address:

- the accuracy of the information in the database;
- the security of the information in the database;
- the benefit of the database for law enforcement in Colorado; and
- the benefit of the database for public safety.

By January 1, 2011, the State Auditor is required to submit a written report of its findings to the Legislative Audit Committee, the Judiciary Committees of the General Assembly and to the Executive Director of the Department of Public Safety. The bill was signed by the Governor and became law on May 14, 2007.

By extending the ability to maintain an existing statewide database of permittees, the bill does not impact the current practices of any state or local agency. In addition, the required audit of the concealed carry database will be conducted within the existing budgetary resources of the State Auditors Office. Thus, this bill will not affect state or local revenues or expenditures and is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

Public Safety

State Auditor's Office