



*Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*  
**REVISED NO FISCAL IMPACT**

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**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. King S.  
Sen. Brophy

**Bill Status:** Senate Judiciary

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING ALLOWING VALID COLORADO CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMITS TO SATISFY BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFERS OF FIREARMS.

### **Summary of Legislation**

This bill, *as amended by the House Judiciary Committee on February 16, 2009*, amends the current application process for a Colorado concealed carry permit to include information about an applicant's citizenship status. The bill will become effective August 4, 2009, assuming the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2009, unless a referendum petition is filed.

### **Assessment**

Under federal law, a criminal background check is required for all firearm transfers. The federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) accepts concealed carry permits from certain states as a substitute for the background check. Colorado is not currently one of the state-issued permits that meets ATF requirements. This bill attempts to satisfy ATF concerns about Colorado concealed carry permits and convince the ATF to add Colorado permits to the list of those that are adequate substitutes for a criminal background check. The bill will not affect state or local revenue and is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

### **Departments Contacted**

Public Safety

Sheriffs