

April 22, 2022

TO: Hon. Catherine Borgia, Chair
Hon. Nancy Barr, Vice Chair
Hon. Christopher Johnson, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: George Latimer 
Westchester County Executive

RE: Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: **HOME RULE
RESOLUTION: S6659.**

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators April 25, 2022 Agenda.

Transmitted herewith is a Home Rule Request Resolution for S6659: AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to fees charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver in the County of Westchester.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for April 25, 2022 "blue sheet" calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

HOME RULE REQUEST RESOLUTION NO. ___ - 2022

RESOLVED, that the Westchester County Board of Legislators approves the making of a Home Rule Request in the following format:

To the Legislature:

Pursuant to Article IX of the Constitution, the County of Westchester requests the enactment of Assembly Bill No. 7939/Senate Bill No. 6659 entitled "AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to fees charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver in the county of Westchester."

A necessity exists for the enactment of this legislation because the local government does not have the power to enact such legislation by local law.

Dated: 2022
White Plains, New York

STATE OF NEW YORK

6659

2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 11, 2021

Introduced by Sen. MAYER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to fees charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver in the county of Westchester

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 14 of section 400.00 of the penal law, as
2 amended by chapter 195 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as
3 follows:
4 14. Fees. In the city of New York and the [~~county~~] counties of Nassau
5 and Westchester, the annual license fee shall be twenty-five dollars for
6 gunsmiths and fifty dollars for dealers in firearms. In such city, the
7 city council and in the [~~county~~] counties of Nassau and Westchester, the
8 [~~Board of Supervisors~~] legislative body of such county shall fix the fee
9 to be charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver and
10 provide for the disposition of such fees. Elsewhere in the state, the
11 licensing officer shall collect and pay into the county treasury the
12 following fees: for each license to carry or possess a pistol or revol-
13 ver, not less than three dollars nor more than ten dollars as may be
14 determined by the legislative body of the county; for each amendment
15 thereto, three dollars, and five dollars in the county of Suffolk; and
16 for each license issued to a gunsmith or dealer in firearms, ten
17 dollars. The fee for a duplicate license shall be five dollars. The fee
18 for processing a license transfer between counties shall be five
19 dollars. The fee for processing a license or renewal thereof for a qual-
20 ified retired police officer as defined under subdivision thirty-four of
21 section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, or a qualified retired sher-
22 iff, undersheriff, or deputy sheriff of the city of New York as defined
23 under subdivision two of section 2.10 of the criminal procedure law, or
24 a qualified retired bridge and tunnel officer, sergeant or lieutenant of
25 the triborough bridge and tunnel authority as defined under subdivision

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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S6659 (ACTIVE) - SUMMARY

Provides that the legislative body of the county of Westchester shall fix the fee to be charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver and provide for the disposition of such fees.

S6659 (ACTIVE) - SPONSOR MEMO

BILL NUMBER: S6659 REVISED 05/17/2021

SPONSOR: MAYER

TITLE OF BILL:

An act to amend the penal law, in relation to fees charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver in the county of Westchester

PURPOSE OF BILL:

To allow Westchester County to charge firearm license fees in line with the cost of providing the service.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:

Section 1 amends the Penal Law to allow the Board of Legislature of Westchester County to fix the fee to be charged for a license to carry or possess a pistol or revolver and provide the disposition of such fees.

Section 2 contains the effective date.