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## SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL ON SECOND READING\*

First Regular Session, Eighteenth Congress

**S. NO 1155 AN ACT FIXING THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF THE LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS, PERMIT TO CARRY OUTSIDE OF RESIDENCE OR PLACE OF BUSINESS AND REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 7 AND 19 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT".**

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This bill proposes to authorize persons whose lives are in imminent danger to carry firearms outside of their residences. The following are specifically mentioned as qualified to apply for permit to carry firearms:

1. Members of the Philippine Bar;
2. Certified Public Accountants;
3. Accredited Media Practitioners;
4. Cashiers, Bank Tellers;
5. Priests, Ministers, Rabbi, Imams;
6. Physicians and Nurses;
7. Engineers; and
8. Businessmen, who by the nature of their business or undertaking, are exposed to high risk of being targets of criminal eleme

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A permit to carry firearms shall be provided by the Chief Philippine National Police (PNP) to the abovementioned professions. Moreover, it shall be the burden of the applicant to prove that his/her life is under actual threat by submitting a threat assessment certificate from the PNP. The permit shall be valid for two (2) years from date of approval of the application unless sooner revoked or suspended.

For other applicants, license shall be renewed every five (5) years reckoned from the birthdate of the licensee, unless sooner revoked or suspended.

The application for the renewal of the license or registration may be submitted to the FEO of the PNP, within six (6) months before the date of the expiration of such license or registration.

Failure to renew the license and registration on or before the date of expiration of the firearm shall cause the revocation of the license; The firearm shall be confiscated in favor of the government after due process. Failure to renew the license twice as prescribed shall cause the holder of the firearm to be perpetually disqualified from applying for any firearm license.

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