



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3496

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Justin Slaughter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 65/5

from Ch. 38, par. 83-5

430 ILCS 65/8.6 new

Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Provides that a person charged with certain weapon-related offenses under the Criminal Code of 2012 and sentenced to the First Time Weapons Offense Program under the Unified Code of Corrections or any other court-ordered diversionary program created by law or by a court of the State of Illinois may submit an application for a Firearm Owner's Identification Card before receiving a court order demonstrating completion of the program. Directs the Illinois State Police to issue a Firearm Owner's Identification Card to such a person upon receiving a court order demonstrating completion of the program, provided the person is otherwise eligible to receive a Firearm Owner's Identification Card. Specifies that a FOID application made under this provision shall be approved or denied within 10 business days of receiving a court order or written notification from a State's Attorney that the person completed a diversionary program.

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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Firearm Owners Identification Card Act is
5 amended by changing Section 5 and by adding Section 8.6 as
6 follows:

7 (430 ILCS 65/5) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-5)

8 Sec. 5. Application and renewal.

9 (a) The Illinois State Police shall either approve or deny
10 all applications within 30 days from the date they are
11 received, except as provided in subsections (b), ~~and~~ (c), and
12 (c-5), and every applicant found qualified under Section 8 of
13 this Act by the Illinois State Police shall be entitled to a
14 Firearm Owner's Identification Card upon the payment of a \$10
15 fee and applicable processing fees. The processing fees shall
16 be limited to charges by the State Treasurer for using the
17 electronic online payment system. Any applicant who is an
18 active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States, a
19 member of the Illinois National Guard, or a member of the
20 Reserve Forces of the United States is exempt from the
21 application fee. \$5 of each fee derived from the issuance of a
22 Firearm Owner's Identification Card or renewals thereof shall
23 be deposited in the State Police Firearm Services Fund and \$5

1 into the State Police Firearm Enforcement Fund.

2 (b) Renewal applications shall be approved or denied
3 within 60 business days, provided the applicant submitted his
4 or her renewal application prior to the expiration of his or
5 her Firearm Owner's Identification Card. If a renewal
6 application has been submitted prior to the expiration date of
7 the applicant's Firearm Owner's Identification Card, the
8 Firearm Owner's Identification Card shall remain valid while
9 the Illinois State Police processes the application, unless
10 the person is subject to or becomes subject to revocation
11 under this Act. The cost for a renewal application shall be \$10
12 and may include applicable processing fees, which shall be
13 limited to charges by the State Treasurer for using the
14 electronic online payment system, which shall be deposited
15 into the State Police Firearm Services Fund.

16 (c) If the Firearm Owner's Identification Card of a
17 licensee under the Firearm Concealed Carry Act expires during
18 the term of the licensee's concealed carry license, the
19 Firearm Owner's Identification Card and the license remain
20 valid and the licensee does not have to renew his or her
21 Firearm Owner's Identification Card during the duration of the
22 concealed carry license. Unless the Illinois State Police has
23 reason to believe the licensee is no longer eligible for the
24 card, the Illinois State Police may automatically renew the
25 licensee's Firearm Owner's Identification Card and send a
26 renewed Firearm Owner's Identification Card to the licensee.

1 (c-5) Applications subject to Section 8.6 shall be
2 approved or denied within 10 business days of receiving a
3 court order or written notification from a State's Attorney
4 that the person completed a diversionary program.

5 (d) The Illinois State Police may adopt rules concerning
6 the use of voluntarily submitted fingerprints, as allowed by
7 State and federal law.

8 (Source: P.A. 102-237, eff. 1-1-22; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21;
9 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 103-609, eff. 7-1-24.)

10 (430 ILCS 65/8.6 new)

11 Sec. 8.6. Unlawful use of a weapon offense diversionary
12 programs. A person charged with an unlawful use of weapons
13 offense under Section 24-1 of the Criminal Code of 2012 or
14 aggravated unlawful use of a weapon offense under Section
15 24-1.6 of the Criminal Code of 2012 and sentenced to the First
16 Time Weapons Offense Program under Section 5-6-3.6 of the
17 Unified Code of Corrections or any other court-ordered
18 diversionary program created by law or by a court of the State
19 of Illinois may submit an application for a Firearm Owner's
20 Identification Card prior to receiving a court order
21 demonstrating completion of the program. The Illinois State
22 Police shall issue a Firearm Owner's Identification Card to
23 such person upon receiving a court order demonstrating
24 completion of the program, provided the person is otherwise
25 eligible to receive a Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

1 Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the Illinois State
2 Police from denying an application for or revoking a Firearm
3 Owner's Identification Card as provided by law.