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3 DIAL SUBSTITUTE FOR HB98, AS ENGROSSED
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a person must possess a
9 pistol permit in order to carry a concealed pistol.

10 This bill would allow certain retired
11 military personnel, upon proof of military
12 retirement, to obtain a pistol permit from the
13 sheriff at no cost. This bill would also provide
14 that the pistol permit would be permanent unless
15 revoked for cause.

16 This bill would also specify that a military
17 identification card has the same effect as a pistol
18 permit.
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20 A BILL
21 TO BE ENTITLED
22 AN ACT
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24 To allow certain retired military personnel to
25 obtain a pistol permit, at no cost, and to specify that the
26 permit shall be permanent unless revoked by the sheriff; and

1 to specify that a military identification card has the same
2 effect as a pistol permit.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. (a) The words "retired military veteran"
5 as used in this section, unless the context clearly requires a
6 different meaning, means only those persons who are
7 nondisability retirees from active duty in the Army, or the
8 Navy, or the Marine Corps, or the Air Force, or the Coast
9 Guard of the United States.

10 (b) Any retired military veteran who meets the
11 conditions for issuance of a pistol permit pursuant to Section
12 13A-11-75, Code of Alabama 1975, shall be eligible to obtain
13 the pistol permit without paying a fee for the permit. Upon
14 approval of the pistol permit application, the pistol permit
15 shall be issued by the sheriff of the county in which the
16 veteran resides upon presentation by the retired military
17 veteran of the United States government issued Veteran
18 Identification Card or a DD-214 Proof of Military Service form
19 and sufficient proof that the person is a military retiree.
20 The retired military veteran shall apply for renewal as
21 required by law, but shall be eligible to obtain renewed
22 pistol permits without paying a fee as long as he or she meets
23 the conditions for renewal of the permit.

24 (c) In the event a retired veteran, to whom a pistol
25 permit has been issued pursuant to subsection (b), is
26 suspected of or is charged with any crime, then the sheriff of
27 the county in which the retired veteran resides may revoke the

1 pistol permit. The sheriff shall notify the retired veteran in
2 writing and by registered mail that his or her pistol permit
3 is revoked. The sheriff shall state the reasons for the
4 revocation and order the retiree to return his or her pistol
5 permit to that sheriff within 30 days. Should the retired
6 veteran refuse to return the pistol permit within the 30-day
7 limit and continue to carry the handgun, he or she shall be
8 guilty of carrying a weapon without a license or carrying a
9 concealed weapon, whichever might be the case.

10 Section 2. For purposes of carrying a concealed
11 pistol, a valid military identification card has the same
12 effect as a pistol permit issued pursuant to Section
13 13A-11-75, Code of Alabama 1975

14 Section 3. This act shall become effective on the
15 first day of the third month following its passage and
16 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.