### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# **SENATE BILL NO. 731**

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CAUTHORN.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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# AN ACT

To repeal sections 476.083 and 571.090, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to concealable firearm permits.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 476.083 and 571.090, RSMo, are repealed and one new 2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 476.083, to read as follows:

476.083. 1. In addition to any appointments made pursuant to section 485.010, RSMo, the presiding judge of each circuit containing one or more  $\mathbf{2}$ facilities operated by the department of corrections with an average total inmate 3 population in all such facilities in the circuit over the previous two years of more 4 than two thousand five hundred inmates may appoint a circuit court marshal to 5aid the presiding judge in the administration of the judicial business of the circuit 6 7 by overseeing the physical security of the courthouse, serving court-generated 8 papers and orders, and assisting the judges of the circuit as the presiding judge determines appropriate. Such circuit court marshal appointed pursuant to the 9 10 provisions of this section shall serve at the pleasure of the presiding judge. The circuit court marshal authorized by this section is in addition to staff support 11 12from the circuit clerks, deputy circuit clerks, division clerks, municipal clerks, and any other staff personnel which may otherwise be provided by law. 13

2. The salary of a circuit court marshal shall be established by the presiding judge of the circuit within funds made available for that purpose, but such salary shall not exceed ninety percent of the salary of the highest paid sheriff serving a county wholly or partially within that circuit. Personnel authorized by this section shall be paid from state funds or federal grant moneys which are available for that purpose and not from county funds.

3. Any person appointed as a circuit court marshal pursuant to this section shall have at least five years' prior experience as a law enforcement officer. In addition, any such person shall within one year after appointment, or as soon as practicable, attend a court security school or training program operated by the United States Marshal Service. In addition to all other powers and duties prescribed in this section, a circuit court marshal may:

26 (1) Serve process;

27 (2) Wear a concealable firearm[, pursuant to a permit granted under
28 section 571.090, RSMo]; and

(3) Make an arrest based upon local court rules and state law, and as
directed by the presiding judge of the circuit.

[571.090. 1. A permit to acquire a concealable firearm shall be issued by the sheriff of the county in which the applicant resides, if all of the statements in the application are true, and the applicant:

(1) Is at least twenty-one years of age, a citizen of the United States and has resided in this state for at least six months;

7 (2) Has not pled guilty to or been convicted of a crime 8 punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year under 9 the laws of any state or of the United States other than a crime 10 classified as a misdemeanor under the laws of any state and 11 punishable by a term of imprisonment of two years or less that 12 does not involve an explosive weapon, firearm, firearm silencer or 13 gas gun;

(3) Is not a fugitive from justice or currently charged in an 14information or indictment with the commission of a crime 15punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year under 16the laws of any state or of the United States other than a crime 1718 classified as a misdemeanor under the laws of any state and 19punishable by a term of imprisonment of two years or less that 20does not involve an explosive weapon, firearm, firearm silencer or 21gas gun;

(4) Has not been discharged under dishonorable conditions
from the United States armed forces;

24 (5) Is not publicly known to be habitually in an intoxicated
25 or drugged condition; and

(6) Is not currently adjudged mentally incompetent and has
not been committed to a mental health facility, as defined in
section 632.005, RSMo, or a similar institution located in another
state.

30 2. Applications shall be made to the sheriff of the county in 31which the applicant resides. An application shall be filed in 32writing, signed and verified by the applicant, and shall state only 33 the following: the name, Social Security number, occupation, age, 34height, color of eyes and hair, residence and business addresses of the applicant, the reason for desiring the permit, and whether the 3536 applicant complies with each of the requirements specified in 37subsection 1 of this section.

3. Before a permit is issued, the sheriff shall make only 3839 such inquiries as he deems necessary into the accuracy of the statements made in the application. The sheriff may require that 40the applicant display a Missouri operator's license or other suitable 41 42identification. The sheriff shall issue the permit within a period not to exceed seven days after submission of the properly completed 43application excluding Saturdays, Sundays or legal holidays. The 44 45sheriff may refuse to issue the permit if he determines that any of 46 the requirements specified in subsection 1 of this section have not 47been met, or if he has reason to believe that the applicant has 48rendered a false statement regarding any of the provisions in subsection 1 of this section. If the application is approved, the 49sheriff shall issue a permit and a copy thereof to the applicant. 50

51 4. The permit shall recite the date of issuance, that it is 52 invalid after thirty days, the name and address of the person to 53 whom granted, the nature of the transaction, and a physical 54 description of the applicant. The applicant shall sign the permit 55 in the presence of the sheriff.

56 5. If the permit is used, the person who receives the permit 57 from the applicant shall return it to the sheriff within thirty days 58 after its expiration, with a notation thereon showing the date and 59 manner of disposition of the firearm and a description of the 60 firearm including the make, model and serial number. The sheriff 61 shall keep a record of all applications for permits, his action

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thereon, and shall preserve all returned permits.

63 6. No person shall in any manner transfer, alter or change
64 a permit, or make a false notation thereon, or obtain a permit upon
65 any false representation, or use, or attempt to use a permit issued
66 to another.

67 7. For the processing of the permit, the sheriff in each
68 county and the city of St. Louis shall charge a fee not to exceed ten
69 dollars which shall be paid into the treasury of the county or city
70 to the credit of the general revenue fund.

8. In any case when the sheriff refuses to issue or to act on 7172an application for a permit, such refusal shall be in writing setting 73forth the reasons for such refusal. Such written refusal shall 74explain the denied applicant's right to appeal and, with a copy of 75the completed application, shall be given to the denied applicant within a period not to exceed seven days after submission of the 7677properly completed application excluding Saturdays, Sundays or 78legal holidays. The denied applicant shall have the right to appeal 79 the denial within ten days of receiving written notice of the denial. Such appeals shall be heard in small claims court as 80 81 defined in section 482.300, RSMo, and the provisions of sections 82482.300, 482.310 and 482.335, RSMo, shall apply to such appeals.

9. A denial of or refusal to act on an application for permit may be appealed by filing with the clerk of the small claims court a copy of the sheriff's written refusal and a form substantially similar to the appeal form provided in this section. Appeal forms shall be provided by the clerk of the small claims court free of charge to any person:

#### SMALL CLAIMS COURT 89 In the Circuit Court of ..... Missouri 90 91Case Number ..... 92...... Denied Applicant) 93 ) 94 ) vs. 95) 96 ..... Sheriff ) 97Return Date .....

98	DENIAL OF PERMIT APPEAL
99	The denied applicant states that his properly completed
100	application for a permit to acquire a firearm with a barrel of less
101	than sixteen inches was denied by the sheriff of County,
102	Missouri, without just cause. The denied applicant affirms that all
103	of the statements in the application are true.
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105	Denied Applicant
106	10. The notice of appeal in a denial of permit appeal shall
107	be made to the sheriff in a manner and form determined by the
108	small claims court judge.
109	11. If at the hearing the person shows he is entitled to the
110	requested permit, the court shall issue an appropriate order to
111	cause the issuance of the permit. Costs shall not be assessed
112	against the sheriff in any case.
113	12. Any person aggrieved by any final judgment rendered
114	by a small claims court in a denial of permit appeal may have a
115	trial de novo as provided in sections 512.180 to 512.320, RSMo.
116	13. Violation of any provision of this section is a class A
117	misdemeanor.]

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