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House Bill 5085 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Representative Phil Potvin  
House Committee: Natural Resources  
Senate Committee: Judiciary

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the handgun licensure law to revise the requirement for parental supervision of a minor who is in possession of a pistol at a target range.

Section 2 of the licensure law generally prohibits a person from purchasing, carrying, possessing, or transporting a pistol in Michigan without first having obtained a license for the pistol, and outlines the requirements and procedures for licensure. Section 2 does not apply, however, to a person less than 18 years of age who possesses a pistol, if all of the following conditions apply:

- The person is not otherwise prohibited from possessing the pistol.
- The person is at a recognized target range.
- The person possesses the pistol for the purpose of target practice or instruction in the safe use of a pistol.
- The owner of the pistol is physically present.
- The person's parent or guardian is physically present and supervising the person.

Rather than requiring a parent or guardian to be present and supervising the child, the bill would require the minor to be in the physical presence and under the direct supervision of his or her parent or guardian, or an individual who was at least 21 years old, was authorized by the person's parent or guardian, and had successfully completed a pistol safety training course or class that complied with the licensure law and received a certificate of completion.

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Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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