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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING PROHIBITED ACTIVITY INVOLVING SEMIAUTOMATIC**
102 **FIREARMS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, PROHIBITING THE**
103 **MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, TRANSFER, SALE, AND PURCHASE**
104 **OF SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARMS, CLASSIFYING A**
105 **DEVICE THAT INCREASES THE RATE OF FIRE OF A**
106 **SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM AS A DANGEROUS WEAPON, AND**
107 **MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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The bill defines a "specified semiautomatic firearm" as a semiautomatic rifle or semiautomatic shotgun with a detachable magazine or a gas-operated semiautomatic handgun with a detachable magazine. The bill prohibits knowingly manufacturing, distributing, transferring, selling, or purchasing a specified semiautomatic firearm; except that a person may transfer a specified semiautomatic firearm to an heir, an individual residing in another state, or a federally licensed firearm dealer.

Unlawful manufacture, distribution, transfer, sale, or purchase of a specified semiautomatic firearm is a class 2 misdemeanor; except that a second or subsequent offense is a class 6 felony. The department of revenue shall revoke the state firearms dealer permit of a dealer who unlawfully manufactures, distributes, transfers, sells, or purchases a specified semiautomatic firearm. The Colorado bureau of investigation shall deny the transfer of a firearm to a person who was convicted of misdemeanor unlawful manufacture, distribution, transfer, sale, or purchase of a specified semiautomatic firearm within 5 years prior to the transfer. A person convicted of felony unlawful manufacture, distribution, transfer, sale, or purchase of a specified semiautomatic firearm is prohibited from possessing a firearm or certain other weapons.

Existing law prohibits possession of a dangerous weapon. The bill defines "rapid-fire device" and classifies rapid-fire devices as dangerous weapons under Colorado law. The bill repeals the definition of "machine gun conversion device" and removes machine gun conversion devices from the list of dangerous weapons.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-101, **repeal**
3 (1)(g.2); and **add** (1)(g.7) and (1)(g.8) as follows:

4 **18-12-101. Peace officer affirmative defense - definitions.**

5 (1) As used in this article 12, unless the context otherwise requires:

6 (g.2) ~~"Machine gun conversion device" means any part designed~~
7 ~~or intended, or combination of parts designed or intended, for use in~~
8 ~~converting a firearm into a machine gun.~~

9 (g.7) "RAPID-FIRE DEVICE" MEANS ANY DEVICE, PART, KIT, TOOL,
10 ACCESSORY, OR COMBINATION OF PARTS THAT HAS THE EFFECT OF
11 INCREASING THE RATE OF FIRE OF A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM ABOVE THE

1 STANDARD RATE OF FIRE FOR THE SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM THAT IS NOT
2 OTHERWISE EQUIPPED WITH THAT DEVICE, PART, OR COMBINATION OF
3 PARTS.

4 (g.8) "SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM" MEANS A FIREARM THAT IS NOT
5 A MACHINE GUN AND THAT, UPON INITIATING THE FIRING SEQUENCE, FIRES
6 THE FIRST CHAMBERED CARTRIDGE AND USES A PORTION OF THE ENERGY
7 OF THE FIRING CARTRIDGE TO EXTRACT THE EXPENDED CARTRIDGE CASE,
8 CHAMBER THE NEXT ROUND, AND PREPARE THE FIRING MECHANISM TO
9 FIRE AGAIN, AND REQUIRES A SEPARATE PULL, RELEASE, PUSH, OR
10 INITIATION OF THE TRIGGER TO FIRE EACH CARTRIDGE. "SEMIAUTOMATIC
11 FIREARM" INCLUDES A SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLE, SEMIAUTOMATIC SHOTGUN,
12 OR SEMIAUTOMATIC HANDGUN.

13 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 18-12-116 as
14 follows:

15 **18-12-116. Enforcement of large-capacity magazine ban by**
16 **regulating the manufacture, distribution, transfer, sale, and purchase**
17 **of specified semiautomatic firearms - penalties - definitions. (1) AS**
18 **USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:**

19 (a) "CYCLE THE ACTION" MEANS TO EXTRACT THE FIRED
20 CARTRIDGE CASE, CHAMBER THE NEXT CARTRIDGE, AND PREPARE THE
21 FIRING MECHANISM TO FIRE AGAIN.

22 (b) "DETACHABLE MAGAZINE" MEANS AN AMMUNITION FEEDING
23 DEVICE THAT IS NOT PERMANENTLY ATTACHED TO A FIREARM AND MAY BE
24 REMOVED FROM THE FIREARM WITHOUT RENDERING THE FIREARM
25 INCAPABLE OF ACCEPTING ANY MAGAZINE. "DETACHABLE MAGAZINE"
26 DOES NOT INCLUDE AN ATTACHED TUBULAR MAGAZINE LOCATED UNDER
27 THE BARREL OF A FIREARM.

1 (c) "GAS-OPERATED SEMIAUTOMATIC HANDGUN" MEANS ANY
2 SEMIAUTOMATIC HANDGUN THAT HARNESSSES OR TRAPS A PORTION OF THE
3 HIGH-PRESSURE GAS FROM A FIRED CARTRIDGE TO CYCLE THE ACTION
4 USING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

5 (I) A LONG-STROKE PISTON SYSTEM IN WHICH GAS IS VENTED FROM
6 THE BARREL TO A PISTON THAT IS MECHANICALLY FIXED TO THE BOLT
7 GROUP AND MOVES TO CYCLE THE ACTION;

8 (II) A SHORT-STROKE PISTON SYSTEM IN WHICH GAS IS VENTED
9 FROM THE BARREL TO A PISTON THAT MOVES SEPARATELY FROM THE BOLT
10 GROUP SO THAT THE ENERGY IS IMPARTED THROUGH A GAS PISTON TO
11 CYCLE THE ACTION;

12 (III) A SYSTEM THAT TRAPS AND VENTS GAS FROM EITHER THE
13 BARREL OR THE CHAMBER TO DIRECTLY STRIKE OR IMPINGE THE BOLT,
14 BOLT CARRIER, OR SLIDE ASSEMBLY, TO UNLOCK AND CYCLE THE ACTION;

15 (IV) A HYBRID SYSTEM THAT COMBINES ELEMENTS OF A SYSTEM
16 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION WITH A SYSTEM
17 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(c)(II) OR (1)(c)(III) OF THIS SECTION TO
18 CAPTURE GAS VENTED FROM THE BARREL TO CYCLE THE ACTION; OR

19 (V) A BLOWBACK-OPERATED SYSTEM THAT DIRECTLY UTILIZES
20 THE EXPANDING GASSES OF THE IGNITED PROPELLANT POWDER ACTING ON
21 THE CARTRIDGE CASE TO DRIVE THE BREECHBLOCK OR BREECH BOLT
22 REARWARD.

23 (d) (I) "SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM" MEANS ANY OF THE
24 FOLLOWING, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)(d)(II) OF THIS
25 SECTION:

26 (A) A SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLE OR SEMIAUTOMATIC SHOTGUN WITH
27 A DETACHABLE MAGAZINE; OR

1 (B) A GAS-OPERATED SEMIAUTOMATIC HANDGUN WITH A
2 DETACHABLE MAGAZINE.

3 (II) "SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

4 (A) A FIREARM DESIGNED TO ACCEPT, AND CAPABLE OF
5 OPERATING ONLY WITH, .22 OR LOWER CALIBER RIMFIRE AMMUNITION,
6 UNLESS THE FIREARM HAS A SEPARATE UPPER AND LOWER RECEIVER;

7 (B) A FIREARM THAT IS MANUALLY OPERATED BY BOLT, PUMP,
8 LEVER, OR SLIDE ACTION;

9 (C) A FIREARM THAT HAS A PERMANENTLY FIXED MAGAZINE THAT
10 CANNOT ACCEPT MORE THAN FIFTEEN ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION,
11 INCLUDING A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM THAT HAS BEEN CONVERTED TO
12 HAVE A PERMANENTLY FIXED MAGAZINE THAT CANNOT ACCEPT MORE
13 THAN FIFTEEN ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION;

14 (D) A SINGLE OR DOUBLE ACTION SEMIAUTOMATIC HANDGUN
15 THAT USES RECOIL TO CYCLE THE ACTION OF THE HANDGUN;

16 (E) THE FOLLOWING MODELS OF FIREARMS, AS THEY EXIST AND
17 ARE CONFIGURED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION: AG42
18 LJUNGMAN; BENELLI ARGO E PRO; BENELLI R1 BIG-GAME RIFLE;
19 BROWNING BAR MK 3; BROWNING BAR LONGTRAC RIFLE; BROWNING
20 BAR SHORTTRAC RIFLE; FABRIQUE NATIONALE MODEL 49, COMMONLY
21 KNOWN AS FN49; FUSIL AUTOMATIQUE MODELE 1917, ALSO KNOWN AS
22 RSC M1917; GEWEHR 43; GLOBCO MOHAWK; HAKIM RIFLE; HK SL6;
23 HK SL7; M1 CARBINE; M1941 JOHNSON RIFLE; MARLIN CAMP CARBINE;
24 MAS49; REMINGTON MODEL 4; REMINGTON MODEL 8; REMINGTON
25 MODEL 740; REMINGTON MODEL 742; REMINGTON MODEL 750;
26 REMINGTON 7400; RUGER DEERFIELD CARBINE; RUGER MINI-14 RANCH
27 RIFLE; RUGER MINI THIRTY RIFLE; RUGER MODEL 44; SPRINGFIELD

1 ARMORY M1A STANDARD ISSUE RIFLE; SVT 40; VALMET HUNTER M88;
2 VZ.52; WINCHESTER MODEL 100; WINCHESTER MODEL 1905;
3 WINCHESTER MODEL 1907; AND WINCHESTER MODEL 1910;

4 (F) A FIREARM THAT HAS BEEN MADE PERMANENTLY INOPERABLE;
5 OR

6 (G) AN ANTIQUE FIREARM, AS DEFINED IN 18 U.S.C. SEC. 921
7 (a)(16), OR A CURIO OR RELIC, AS DEFINED IN 27 CFR 478.11.

8 (2) ON OR AFTER AUGUST 1, 2026, IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY
9 PERSON TO KNOWINGLY MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTE, TRANSFER, SELL, OR
10 PURCHASE A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM; EXCEPT THAT A PERSON
11 MAY SELL OR TRANSFER A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM TO AN
12 INDIVIDUAL RESIDING IN ANOTHER STATE OR A FEDERALLY LICENSED
13 FIREARM DEALER.

14 (3) SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

15 (a) THE MANUFACTURE FOR, TRANSFER OR SALE OF A SPECIFIED
16 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM TO, OR RECEIPT OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED
17 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM BY:

18 (I) A FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, OR TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
19 AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EQUIPPING THE AGENCY'S PEACE OFFICERS;

20 (II) A PEACE OFFICER, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 16-2.5-101, WHO
21 IS CERTIFIED BY THE PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD
22 CREATED IN SECTION 24-31-302, IF THE AGENCY THAT EMPLOYS THE
23 PEACE OFFICER REQUIRES OR PERMITS THE PEACE OFFICER TO CARRY A
24 SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM FOR USE IN THE PEACE OFFICER'S
25 OFFICIAL CAPACITY;

26 (III) THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THE WARDEN OF A
27 PRISON, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF A FACILITY IN WHICH A PERSON HAS

1 BEEN PLACED BY TRANSFER FROM A CORRECTIONAL FACILITY PURSUANT
2 TO SECTION 17-23-101, THE KEEPER OF A JAIL, OR THE HEAD OF ANY
3 OTHER INSTITUTION FOR THE DETENTION OF PEOPLE ACCUSED OR
4 CONVICTED OF AN OFFENSE, IN ORDER TO EQUIP STAFF FOR THE
5 PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES; ■

6 (IV) AN ENTITY THAT OPERATES AN ARMORED VEHICLE BUSINESS
7 FOR USE BY AN AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEE OF THE ENTITY WHILE IN THE
8 COURSE AND SCOPE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S DUTIES; OR

9 (V) AN INSTRUCTOR OF AN ACCREDITED GUNSMITHING COURSE IN
10 A STATE-AUTHORIZED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR AN
11 INSTITUTION REGULATED BY THE COLORADO DIVISION OF PRIVATE
12 OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS FOR THE PURPOSES OF EDUCATIONAL
13 INSTRUCTION OR MANUFACTURE, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE OF A
14 SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM DURING THE COURSE OF
15 EDUCATIONAL INSTRUCTION;

16 (b) THE MANUFACTURE FOR, TRANSFER OR SALE OF A SPECIFIED
17 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM TO, OR RECEIPT OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED
18 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM FOR USE BY, MEMBERS OF THE ARMED SERVICES
19 OR RESERVE FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR OF THE COLORADO
20 NATIONAL GUARD, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES;

21 (c) THE TRANSFER OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM TO,
22 AND RECEIPT OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM BY:

23 (I) A FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER FOR TEMPORARY
24 STORAGE OR PERMANENT DISPOSAL; ■

25 (II) A GUNSMITH FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, OR
26 MODIFICATION AND THE SUBSEQUENT RETURN OF THE SPECIFIED
27 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM TO THE LAWFUL OWNER, UNLESS THE GUNSMITH

1 HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE LAWFUL OWNER IS PROHIBITED BY LAW
2 FROM POSSESSING THE SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM; OR

3 (III) A STUDENT OF AN ACCREDITED GUNSMITHING COURSE IN A
4 STATE-AUTHORIZED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR AN
5 INSTITUTION REGULATED BY THE COLORADO DIVISION OF PRIVATE
6 OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS FOR THE PURPOSES OF EDUCATIONAL
7 INSTRUCTION OR MANUFACTURE, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE OF A
8 SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM DURING THE COURSE OF THE
9 STUDENT'S EDUCATIONAL INSTRUCTION; ==

10 (d) THE SALE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM TO, AND
11 PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM BY, AN INSTITUTION
12 OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT OPERATES, OR AN INSTRUCTOR OF, AN
13 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF A
14 PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR THE COLORADO DIVISION
15 OF PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS, FOR USE AND STORAGE AT THE
16 LOCATION OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM;

17 (e) THE TRANSFER OR SALE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC
18 FIREARM TO, AND RECEIPT OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC
19 FIREARM BY:

20 (I) A PERSON WHO:

21 (A) COMPLETED A HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE CERTIFIED BY THE
22 DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 33-6-107(8),
23 AND, WITHIN FIVE YEARS BEFORE MAKING THE PURCHASE, COMPLETED A
24 BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS
25 SECTION;

26 (B) WITHIN FIVE YEARS BEFORE MAKING THE PURCHASE,
27 COMPLETED AN EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE DESCRIBED IN

1 SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION; OR
2 (C) COMPLETED AN EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE MORE
3 THAN FIVE YEARS BEFORE MAKING THE PURCHASE AND COMPLETED A
4 BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE WITHIN FIVE YEARS BEFORE MAKING THE
5 PURCHASE;

6 (II) A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MUSEUM,
7 OR INSTITUTIONAL COLLECTION THAT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, IF THE
8 SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM IS RENDERED PERMANENTLY
9 INOPERABLE PRIOR TO THE SALE OR TRANSFER; AND

10 (III) A FORENSIC LABORATORY, OR ANY AUTHORIZED AGENT OR
11 EMPLOYEE OF THE LABORATORY, FOR USE EXCLUSIVELY IN THE COURSE
12 AND SCOPE OF FORENSIC ANALYSIS; _____

13 (f) A TRANSFER THAT OCCURS BY OPERATION OF LAW OR BECAUSE
14 OF THE DEATH OF A PERSON FOR WHOM THE PROSPECTIVE TRANSFEROR IS
15 AN EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR OF AN ESTATE OR A TRUSTEE OF A
16 TRUST CREATED IN A WILL; AND

17 (g) THE MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, TRANSFER, SALE, OR
18 RENTAL OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM CAPABLE OF ONLY
19 FIRING BLANKS BY, OR RECEIPT OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED
20 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM CAPABLE OF ONLY FIRING BLANKS FROM, A
21 FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER, FOR USE SOLELY AS A PROP FOR
22 A FILM, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-48.5-114.

23 (4) (a) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION
24 COMMITS UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, TRANSFER, SALE, OR
25 PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM.

26 (b) UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, TRANSFER, SALE,
27 OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM IS A CLASS 2

1 MISDEMEANOR; EXCEPT THAT A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE IS A
2 CLASS 6 FELONY.

3 (5) (a) (I) A BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE AND AN EXTENDED
4 FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE MUST BE TAUGHT BY AN INSTRUCTOR VERIFIED
5 BY A SHERIFF AS A FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION
6 18-12-202.7. A BASIC OR EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE MUST BE
7 HELD IN PERSON WITH THE INSTRUCTOR OF THE CLASS AT THE SAME
8 LOCATION AS THE STUDENTS AND NO PART OF THE CLASS MAY BE
9 CONDUCTED VIA THE INTERNET.

10 (II) IN ORDER TO ENROLL IN A BASIC OR EXTENDED FIREARMS
11 SAFETY COURSE, A PERSON MUST HOLD A VALID FIREARMS SAFETY
12 COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD, AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS
13 SECTION. BEFORE ALLOWING A STUDENT TO ATTEND A COURSE, THE
14 INSTRUCTOR SHALL VERIFY THAT THE STUDENT HOLDS A VALID FIREARMS
15 SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD BY REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM
16 THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD SYSTEM CREATED
17 IN SECTION 33-9-115.

18 (III) (A) A BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE MUST PROVIDE A
19 MINIMUM OF FOUR HOURS OF INSTRUCTION.

20 (B) AN EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE MUST PROVIDE A
21 MINIMUM OF TWELVE HOURS OF INSTRUCTION, WHICH MUST BE PROVIDED
22 ON AT LEAST TWO DIFFERENT DAYS.

23 (IV) A BASIC OR EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE MUST
24 SATISFY THE COURSE REQUIREMENTS ADOPTED BY THE DIVISION AND
25 INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO INCLUDING, INSTRUCTION ON SAFE
26 HANDLING OF SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION MAGAZINES,
27 SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS AND CHILD SAFETY, FIREARM DEATHS

1 ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS
2 DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 14.5 OF TITLE 13, AND VICTIM AWARENESS AND
3 EMPATHY.

4 (V) AT THE CONCLUSION OF A BASIC OR EXTENDED FIREARMS
5 SAFETY COURSE, THE INSTRUCTOR SHALL ADMINISTER AN EXAM THAT
6 TESTS A STUDENT'S KNOWLEDGE OF THE SUBJECTS TAUGHT IN THE COURSE
7 AND REQUIRES THE STUDENT TO DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY TO SAFELY
8 HANDLE FIREARMS AND A MASTERY OF GUN SAFETY. TO COMPLETE A
9 BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE, A STUDENT MUST ACHIEVE A SCORE OF
10 AT LEAST NINETY PERCENT ON THE EXAM.

11 (VI) WITHIN THREE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER A STUDENT'S
12 COMPLETION OF A BASIC OR EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE, THE
13 INSTRUCTOR SHALL REPORT THE STUDENT'S COURSE COMPLETION TO THE
14 FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD SYSTEM DESCRIBED IN
15 SECTION 33-9-115.

16 (b) (I) EACH SHERIFF SHALL ISSUE FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
17 ELIGIBILITY CARDS PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (5)(b). A CARD IS
18 VALID FOR FIVE YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF ISSUANCE.

19 (II) TO OBTAIN A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD, AN
20 APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE SHERIFF ON A FORM
21 CREATED BY THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE AND SUBMIT TO THE
22 SHERIFF THE MATERIALS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (5)(b)(III) OF THIS
23 SECTION. THE APPLICATION FORM MUST REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO
24 PROVIDE THEIR FULL NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH AND MAKE THE
25 FOLLOWING ATTESTATIONS:

26 (A) THE APPLICANT DOES NOT HAVE A STATE OR FEDERAL
27 CONVICTION THAT WOULD PROHIBIT THEM FROM PURCHASING OR

1 POSSESSING A FIREARM;

2 (B) THE APPLICANT WILL NOT VIOLATE RELEVANT STATE LAW
3 RELATED TO THE PURCHASE, POSSESSION, STORAGE, AND LAWFUL USE OF
4 FIREARMS; AND

5 (C) THE APPLICANT WILL ONLY TRANSFER A FIREARM PURSUANT
6 TO SECTION 18-12-112 AND THIS SECTION AND NOT ALLOW ANOTHER
7 PERSON WHO THE APPLICANT BELIEVES WOULD BE A DANGER TO THEMSELF
8 OR OTHERS ACCESS TO A FIREARM IN THE APPLICANT'S POSSESSION.

9 (III) AN APPLICANT MUST ALSO SUBMIT TO THE SHERIFF:

10 (A) GOVERNMENT-ISSUED PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION ISSUED
11 TO THE APPLICANT; AND

12 (B) THE RESULTS OF A COMPLETED NAME-BASED BACKGROUND
13 CHECK OF NATIONAL AND COLORADO PUBLIC CRIMINAL HISTORY AND
14 JUDICIAL DATABASES COMPLETED BY A THIRD-PARTY VENDOR THAT
15 CONDUCTS THOSE CHECKS AS A NORMAL PART OF THE VENDOR'S BUSINESS,
16 AND AN ATTESTATION FROM THE VENDOR THAT THE BACKGROUND CHECK
17 WAS PERFORMED BY THE VENDOR.

18 (IV) A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY MAKES A FALSE OR MISLEADING
19 STATEMENT ON A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD
20 APPLICATION OR DELIBERATELY OMITTS ANY MATERIAL INFORMATION
21 REQUESTED ON THE APPLICATION COMMITS PERJURY IN THE SECOND
22 DEGREE, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 18-8-503. IN ADDITION TO ANY
23 CRIMINAL PENALTIES, IF A PERSON IS CONVICTED OF PERJURY FOR MAKING
24 A FALSE OR MISLEADING STATEMENT ON A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
25 ELIGIBILITY CARD APPLICATION, THE SHERIFF SHALL REVOKE THE PERSON'S
26 CARD IF ISSUED PRIOR TO CONVICTION.

27 (V) THE APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE

1 ELIGIBILITY CARD FEE TO THE SHERIFF. THE FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
2 ELIGIBILITY CARD FEE INCLUDES THE SHERIFF'S PROCESSING FEE AND THE
3 FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD FEE ESTABLISHED
4 PURSUANT TO SECTION 33-9-115 (5)(a). THE FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
5 ELIGIBILITY CARD FEE IS NOT REFUNDABLE IF THE SHERIFF DENIES THE
6 APPLICANT'S APPLICATION. EACH SHERIFF MAY ESTABLISH A PROCESSING
7 FEE. THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE MUST REFLECT THE ACTUAL DIRECT AND
8 INDIRECT COSTS TO THE SHERIFF FOR ISSUING A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
9 ELIGIBILITY CARD. THE SHERIFF SHALL REMIT THE FIREARMS TRAINING
10 AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD FEE COLLECTED FROM EACH APPLICANT TO
11 THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE.

12 (VI) (A) A SHERIFF SHALL REVIEW EACH SUBMITTED APPLICATION
13 FOR A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD.

14 (B) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION
15 (5)(b)(VI), A SHERIFF SHALL ISSUE A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
16 ELIGIBILITY CARD TO AN APPLICANT WHO SUBMITS TO THE SHERIFF THE
17 APPLICATION, INFORMATION, AND FEE REQUIRED IN THIS SUBSECTION
18 (5)(b).

19 (C) A SHERIFF SHALL DENY AN APPLICATION FOR A FIREARMS
20 SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD IF THE APPLICANT CANNOT LAWFULLY
21 POSSESS A FIREARM UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR THE SHERIFF
22 CANNOT POSITIVELY IDENTIFY THE APPLICANT. THE SHERIFF MAY DENY AN
23 APPLICATION IF THE SHERIFF HAS A REASONABLE BELIEF THAT
24 DOCUMENTED PREVIOUS BEHAVIOR BY THE APPLICANT MAKES IT LIKELY
25 THE APPLICANT WILL PRESENT A DANGER TO THEMSELF OR OTHERS IF THE
26 APPLICANT HOLDS A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD.

27 (D) THE SHERIFF SHALL REVOKE AN ISSUED FIREARMS SAFETY

1 COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD IF THE SHERIFF KNOWS THAT THE CARDHOLDER
2 CANNOT LAWFULLY POSSESS A FIREARM UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW.
3 THE SHERIFF MAY REVOKE AN ISSUED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
4 ELIGIBILITY CARD IF THE SHERIFF HAS A REASONABLE BELIEF THAT
5 DOCUMENTED PREVIOUS BEHAVIOR BY THE CARDHOLDER MAKES IT LIKELY
6 THE CARDHOLDER WILL PRESENT A DANGER TO THEMSELF OR OTHERS IF
7 THE CARDHOLDER CONTINUES HOLDING A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
8 ELIGIBILITY CARD.

9 (E) IF A SHERIFF DENIES A PERSON'S FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
10 CARD APPLICATION OR REVOKES A PERSON'S FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
11 ELIGIBILITY CARD, THE SHERIFF SHALL NOTIFY THE PERSON IN WRITING,
12 STATING THE GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REVOCATION AND INFORMING THE
13 PERSON OF THE RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW PURSUANT TO
14 SUBSECTION (5)(b)(X) OF THIS SECTION.

15 (VII) A SHERIFF SHALL REPORT INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE
16 DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE ABOUT THE CARD TO THE FIREARMS
17 TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD SYSTEM CREATED IN SECTION
18 33-9-115.

19 (VIII) A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD MUST
20 INCLUDE THE FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARDHOLDER'S FULL
21 NAME; THE COUNTY OF ISSUANCE AND THE SIGNATURE OF THE SHERIFF
22 WHO ISSUED THE CARD; AND THE ISSUANCE AND EXPIRATION DATES OF
23 THE CARD.

24 (IX) A SHERIFF IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES THAT MAY
25 RESULT FROM GOOD FAITH COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
26 SUBSECTION (5)(b), INCLUDING DAMAGES THAT MAY RESULT FROM
27 ISSUANCE OR DENIAL OF A FIREARM SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD.

1 (X) (A) IF A SHERIFF DENIES A PERSON'S FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE
2 ELIGIBILITY CARD APPLICATION OR REVOKES A PERSON'S FIREARMS SAFETY
3 COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD, THE PERSON MAY SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW OF
4 THE SHERIFF'S DECISION.

5 (B) THE PROCEDURES SPECIFIED IN RULE 106 (a)(4) AND (b) OF
6 THE COLORADO RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE GOVERN THE PROCEDURE AND
7 TIMELINES FOR FILING A COMPLAINT, AN ANSWER, AND BRIEFS FOR
8 JUDICIAL REVIEW PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (5)(b)(X). AT A
9 JUDICIAL REVIEW SOUGHT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (5)(b)(X), THE
10 SHERIFF HAS THE BURDEN OF PROVING BY A PREPONDERANCE OF THE
11 EVIDENCE THAT THE PERSON IS INELIGIBLE FOR A FIREARMS SAFETY
12 COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD; EXCEPT THAT IF THE DENIAL OR REVOCATION
13 IS BECAUSE THE SHERIFF HAS DETERMINED THAT THE APPLICANT WILL
14 PRESENT A DANGER TO THEMSELF OR OTHERS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
15 (5)(b)(VI), OF THIS SECTION, THE SHERIFF HAS THE BURDEN OF PROVING
16 THAT DETERMINATION BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE.

17 (C) FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE REVIEW, THE COURT MAY
18 AWARD ATTORNEY FEES TO THE PREVAILING PARTY.

19 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 33-9-115 as**
20 **follows:**

21 **33-9-115. Firearms training and safety course record system**
22 **- rules - legislative declaration - definitions.** (1) **AS USED IN THIS**
23 **SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:**

24 (a) **"BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE" MEANS A BASIC FIREARMS**
25 **SAFETY COURSE DESCRIBED IN SECTION 18-12-116 (5).**

26 (b) **"BUREAU" MEANS THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**
27 **CREATED IN SECTION 24-33.5-401.**

1 (c) "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE
2 CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-104.

3 (d) "EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE" MEANS AN EXTENDED
4 FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE DESCRIBED SECTION 18-12-116 (5).

5 (e) "HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE" MEANS A HUNTER EDUCATION
6 COURSE CERTIFIED BY THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, AS
7 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 33-6-107 (8).

8 (f) "SYSTEM" MEANS THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY
9 COURSE RECORD SYSTEM DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS
10 SECTION.

11 (2) (a) THE DIVISION SHALL DEVELOP AND OPERATE A SYSTEM OF
12 RECORDS OF PERSONS WHO:

13 (I) HOLD A VALID FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD
14 ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-12-116 (5)(b); AND

15 (II) HAVE COMPLETED A HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE, A BASIC
16 FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE, OR AN EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE.

17 (b) THE DIVISION SHALL CONSULT WITH THE BUREAU IN
18 DEVELOPING AND OPERATING THE SYSTEM.

19 (c) THE SYSTEM IS NOT A RECORD THAT A PERSON PURCHASES OR
20 EXCHANGES FIREARMS OR PURCHASED OR EXCHANGED A SPECIFIC
21 FIREARM.

22 (3) THE SYSTEM MUST ALLOW:

23 (a) A SHERIFF TO ELECTRONICALLY ENTER INTO THE SYSTEM THE
24 NAME OF AND OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE DIVISION ABOUT
25 EACH PERSON WHO WAS ISSUED A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY
26 CARD;

27 (b) THE INSTRUCTOR OF A BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE OR

1 EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE TO REQUEST AND RECEIVE
2 INFORMATION ABOUT WHETHER A PERSON HOLDS A VALID FIREARMS
3 SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION
4 18-12-116 (5)(b);

5 (c) THE INSTRUCTOR OF A HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE, BASIC
6 FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE, OR EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE TO
7 ELECTRONICALLY ENTER INTO THE SYSTEM THE NAME OF AND OTHER
8 INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE DIVISION ABOUT EACH STUDENT WHO
9 COMPLETES A COURSE; AND

10 (d) A FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
11 18-12-101, TO ELECTRONICALLY REQUEST AND RECEIVE INFORMATION
12 ABOUT WHETHER A PERSON HAS COMPLETED THE COURSES NECESSARY TO
13 PURCHASE A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM PURSUANT TO SECTION
14 18-12-116 (3)(e)(I).

15 (4) (a) THE DIVISION MAY ADOPT PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES
16 NECESSARY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION.

17 (b) THE DIVISION SHALL ESTABLISH COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR
18 A BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE AND AN EXTENDED FIREARMS SAFETY
19 COURSE THAT INCLUDE INSTRUCTION ON THE SUBJECTS REQUIRED IN
20 SECTION 18-12-116 (5)(a)(IV). THE REQUIREMENTS MUST NOT REQUIRE
21 MORE THAN FOUR HOURS OF INSTRUCTION FOR A BASIC FIREARMS SAFETY
22 COURSE OR TWELVE HOURS OF INSTRUCTION FOR AN EXTENDED FIREARMS
23 SAFETY COURSE.

24 (c) THE DIVISION SHALL CREATE AN APPLICATION FORM FOR A
25 PERSON TO APPLY FOR A FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE ELIGIBILITY CARD
26 PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-12-116. THE APPLICATION FORM MUST REQUIRE
27 THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED ON AN APPLICATION

1 PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-12-116 (5)(b). THE DIVISION SHALL MAKE THE
2 APPLICATION FORM AVAILABLE AT NO COST ON ITS WEBSITE.

3 (5) (a) THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH A FIREARMS TRAINING
4 AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD FEE FOR A PERSON TO BE INCLUDED IN THE
5 SYSTEM. THE FEE MUST REFLECT ACTUAL DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS TO
6 IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION. THE COMMISSION MAY ADJUST THE FEE, BUT
7 SHALL NOT ADJUST THE FEE MORE THAN ONE TIME EACH YEAR. THE
8 DIVISION SHALL TRANSMIT THE FEE MONEY REMITTED TO THE DIVISION BY
9 A SHERIFF PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-12-116 (5)(b) TO THE STATE
10 TREASURER, WHO SHALL DEPOSIT THE FEE MONEY IN THE FIREARMS
11 TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE CASH FUND.

12 (b) (I) THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE CASH FUND
13 IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY
14 CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(a) OF THIS SECTION
15 AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE
16 OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL
17 INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF
18 MONEY IN THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE CASH FUND TO
19 THE FUND. MONEY IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE
20 DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

21 (II) THE MONEY CREDITED TO THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND
22 SAFETY COURSE CASH FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-12-116 (5)(b) AND
23 ANY INCOME AND INTEREST DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT
24 OF THE MONEY IS EXEMPT FROM ANY RESTRICTION ON SPENDING,
25 REVENUE, OR APPROPRIATIONS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE
26 RESTRICTIONS OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

27 (c) (I) BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2029, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THIS

1 SECTION, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION MAY REPORT TO THE STATE
2 TREASURER AN AMOUNT OF MONEY TO TRANSFER TO THE FIREARMS
3 TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE CASH FUND FROM THE PARKS AND
4 OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND. WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER RECEIVING
5 A REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER
6 THE AMOUNT OF MONEY DESCRIBED IN THE REPORT. THE DIRECTOR OF THE
7 DIVISION MAY MAKE MULTIPLE REPORTS TO THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO
8 THIS SUBSECTION (5)(c)(I).

9 (II) (A) IN ORDER TO RESTORE TO THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR
10 RECREATION CASH FUND THE AMOUNT OF MONEY TRANSFERRED FROM THE
11 FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION, WITH
12 INTEREST, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION MAY REPORT TO THE STATE
13 TREASURER AN AMOUNT OF MONEY TO TRANSFER FROM THE FIREARMS
14 TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE CASH FUND TO THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR
15 RECREATION CASH FUND. WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A REPORT
16 FROM THE DIRECTOR, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THE
17 AMOUNT OF MONEY DESCRIBED IN THE REPORT. THE DIRECTOR OF THE
18 DIVISION MAY MAKE MULTIPLE REPORTS TO THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO
19 THIS SUBSECTION (5)(c)(II)(A).

20 (B) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE TRANSFERS TO THE PARKS AND
21 OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION
22 (5)(c)(II) MUST NOT BE GREATER THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT TRANSFERRED
23 FROM THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND PURSUANT TO
24 SUBSECTION (5)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION.

25 (C) BY JUNE 30, 2030, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE TRANSFERS TO
26 THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND REPORTED BY THE
27 DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION TO THE STATE TREASURER PURSUANT TO THIS

1 SUBSECTION (5)(c)(II) MUST BE EQUAL TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT
2 TRANSFERRED FROM THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND
3 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION, PLUS FAIR MARKET
4 INTEREST, AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR.

5 (III) THIS SUBSECTION (5)(c) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
6 2030.

7 (6) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT,
8 CONSISTENT WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE COLORADO SUPREME
9 COURT IN NICHOLL V. E-470 PUBLIC HIGHWAY AUTHORITY, 896 P.2D 859
10 (COLO. 1995), THE POWER TO IMPOSE TAXES IS INCONSISTENT WITH
11 ENTERPRISE STATUS UNDER SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE
12 CONSTITUTION, AND IT IS THE CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
13 THAT THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND SAFETY COURSE RECORD FEE IMPOSED
14 BY THIS BILL IS A FEE, NOT A TAX, BECAUSE THE FEE IS IMPOSED FOR THE
15 SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING COSTS OF PROVIDING RECORD-KEEPING
16 SERVICES TO FEE PAYERS TO ENABLE THEM TO PURCHASE SPECIFIED
17 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARMS PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-12-116 AND IS
18 COLLECTED AT A RATE THAT IS REASONABLY RELATED TO THE OVERALL
19 COST OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING THE FIREARMS TRAINING AND
20 SAFETY COURSE RECORD SYSTEM CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-115.

21 (7) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND ON OR BEFORE
22 DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DIVISION SHALL SUBMIT
23 A REPORT TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUDICIARY COMMITTEE AND
24 THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES,
25 ABOUT THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DIVISION TO IMPLEMENT SENATE
26 BILL 25-003, ENACTED IN 2025, AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THE
27 DIVISION NEEDS TO EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT SENATE BILL 25-003.

1 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-108, **amend**
2 (7)(hhh) and (7)(iii); and **add** (7)(jjj) as follows:

3 **18-12-108. Possession of weapons by previous offenders.** (7) In
4 addition to a conviction for felony crime as defined in section 24-4.1-302
5 (1), a felony conviction or adjudication for one of the following felonies
6 prohibits a person from possessing, using, or carrying upon the person a
7 firearm as defined in section 18-1-901 (3)(h) or any other weapon that is
8 subject to this article 12 pursuant to subsection (1) or (3) of this section:

9 (hhh) A criminal attempt, complicity, or conspiracy to commit any
10 of the offenses listed in this subsection (7); ~~and~~

11 (iii) Unlawful conduct involving an unserialized firearm, frame,
12 or receiver, as described in section 18-12-111.5; AND

13 (jjj) UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, TRANSFER, SALE,
14 OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM, AS DESCRIBED IN
15 SECTION 18-12-116.

16 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-424, **amend**
17 (3)(b.3)(XI) and (3)(b.3)(XII); and **add** (3)(b.3)(XIII) as follows:

18 **24-33.5-424. National instant criminal background check**
19 **system - state point of contact - fee - grounds for denial of firearm**
20 **transfer - appeal - rule-making - unlawful acts - instant criminal**
21 **background check cash fund - creation.** (3) (b.3) In addition to the
22 grounds for denial specified in subsections (3)(a) and (3)(b) of this
23 section, the bureau shall deny a transfer of a firearm if the prospective
24 transferee has been convicted of any of the following offenses committed
25 on or after June 19, 2021, if the offense is classified as a misdemeanor,
26 or if the prospective transferee has been convicted in another state or
27 jurisdiction, including a military or federal jurisdiction, of an offense that,

1 if committed in Colorado, would constitute any of the following offenses
2 classified as a misdemeanor offense, within five years prior to the
3 transfer:

4 (XI) Unlawfully providing a firearm other than a handgun to a
5 juvenile, as described in section 18-12-108.7 (3); ~~or~~

6 (XII) Unlawful conduct involving an unserialized firearm, frame,
7 or receiver, as described in section 18-12-111.5; OR

8 (XIII) UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, TRANSFER, SALE,
9 OR PURCHASE OF A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM, AS DESCRIBED IN
10 SECTION 18-12-116.

11 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-401.5, **amend**
12 (8)(a)(IV)(D) and (8)(a)(IV)(E); and **add** (8)(a)(IV)(F) as follows:

13 **18-12-401.5. Permit required - issuing agency - cash fund -**
14 **inspections - penalty - report - rules - repeal.** (8) (a) Notwithstanding
15 subsection (7) of this section, the department shall revoke a state permit
16 if the state permit holder:

17 (IV) Is convicted of any of the following:

18 (D) Selling or otherwise transferring a firearm to a person who is
19 ineligible to possess the firearm pursuant to state or federal law; ~~or~~

20 (E) Selling or otherwise transferring a firearm component or
21 accessory, as defined in section 29-11.7-101.5, to another person in
22 violation of federal, state, or local law; OR

23 (F) MANUFACTURING, DISTRIBUTING, TRANSFERRING, SELLING, OR
24 PURCHASING A SPECIFIED SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM IN VIOLATION OF
25 SECTION 18-12-116.

26 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-35-122 as
27 **follows:**

1 **24-35-122. Specified semiautomatic firearms guidance.** THE
2 DIVISION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING
3 STATE FIREARMS DEALER PERMITS SHALL PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND
4 CLARIFICATION TO ASSIST IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 18-12-116.
5 THE DIVISION SHALL PUBLISH AND MAKE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE GUIDANCE
6 ABOUT SPECIFIC MODELS OF FIREARMS TO WHICH SECTION 18-12-116 (2)
7 APPLIES. THE DIVISION MAY CONSULT WITH FIREARM EXPERTS AND
8 CONVENE WORKING GROUPS TO ASSIST WITH CREATING GUIDANCE ABOUT
9 THE SPECIFIC MODELS OF FIREARMS TO WHICH SECTION 18-12-116 (2)
10 APPLIES.

11 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-302, amend
12 (1)(a) as follows:

13 **18-12-302. Large-capacity magazines prohibited - penalties -**
14 **exceptions.** (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, on and
15 after July 1, 2013, a person who sells, transfers, or possesses a
16 large-capacity magazine commits a class 2 CLASS 1 misdemeanor.

17 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-102, **amend**
18 (1) as follows:


19 **18-12-102. Possessing a dangerous or illegal weapon -**
20 **affirmative defense - definition.** (1) As used in this section, the term
21 "dangerous weapon" means a firearm silencer, machine gun, ~~machine gun~~
22 ~~conversion device~~ RAPID-FIRE DEVICE, short shotgun, or short rifle.

23 **SECTION 10. Appropriation.** For the 2025-26 state fiscal year,
24 \$100,000 is appropriated to the office of the governor for use by the
25 office of information technology. This appropriation is from funds
26 received from the department of natural resources from the firearms
27 training and safety course cash fund created in section 33-9-115 (5)(b),

1 C.R.S. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation to
2 provide information technology services for the department of natural
3 resources.

4 **SECTION 11.** In Session Laws of Colorado 2024, section 6 of
5 chapter 492, **amend** (1) introductory portion as follows:

6 Section 6. **Appropriation.** (1) For the 2024-25 state fiscal year,
7 \$618,973 is appropriated to the department of revenue. ANY MONEY
8 APPROPRIATED IN THIS SUBSECTION (1) NOT EXPENDED PRIOR TO JULY 1,
9 2025, IS FURTHER APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR EXPENDITURE
10 UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE 2025-26 STATE FISCAL YEAR FOR THE SAME
11 PURPOSE. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this
12 act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

13 
14 **SECTION 12. Severability.** If any provision of this act or the
15 application of this act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
16 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act that
17 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to
18 this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

19 **SECTION 13. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
20 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
21 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
22 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
23 institutions.