

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 185

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FRANKS.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 571, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a reporting requirement for lost or stolen firearms, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Chapter 571, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 571.065, to read as follows:

571.065. 1. An owner of a firearm shall report the loss or theft of the firearm within seventy-two hours of discovering the loss or theft to the local law enforcement agency in the city, town, or village, or sheriff's office in the county in which the loss or theft occurred. The local law enforcement agency or sheriff's office shall enter the make, model, and serial number of the firearm into the Missouri uniform law enforcement system.

2. Any person who fails to report the loss or theft of a firearm as required under this section shall, upon a plea or finding of guilt thereof, be guilty of an infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars for a first violation; an infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars for a second violation; and a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding six months, or by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by both that fine and imprisonment for a third or subsequent violation.

3. Evidence that a law enforcement officer has recovered a lost or stolen firearm that was not reported lost or stolen as required under this section may be considered as evidence that the last recorded owner of the firearm violated this section.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.