

HOUSE BILL 1967

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,  
Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the sale of  
firearms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) No person who has plead guilty to or has been found guilty of any of the following offenses may own or possess any ownership interest in a business that sells firearms or firearms ammunition at retail even if the business employs a licensed gun dealer or a licensed gun dealer possesses an ownership interest in the establishment:

(1) An offense which would prohibit the person from qualifying for a federal firearms license under 18 U.S.C. § 923;

(2) A felony offense involving:

(A) The sale or distribution of a controlled substance as defined in part 4 of this chapter;

(B) A sexual offense or violent sexual offense as defined in § 40-39-202;

(C) The illegal possession of a firearm, under § 39-17-1307, or sale of a firearm under § 39-17-1316;

(D) Theft, extortion, forgery, illegal possession or use of a fraudulent credit card, deceptive business practices, false or fraudulent insurance claims, or identity theft under chapter 14, part 1 of this title;

(E) Money laundering, under chapter 14, part 9 of this title;

(F) Child abuse and child neglect or abandonment, under § 39-15-401;

(G) Bribery, under chapter 16, part 1 of this title;

(H) Official misconduct, under § 39-16-402; or

(I) Perjury, under chapter 16, part 7 of this title; or

(3) A misdemeanor crime of domestic violence, under 18 U.S.C.

§922(g)(9).

(b) This section shall not apply to a person who owns stock or has an ownership interest in a business that sells firearms at retail if a majority of the annual sales of that business does not come from the sale of firearms or firearms ammunition.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.