

118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 10276

To direct the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives to clarify ATF Form 4473 relating to crimes expunged and rights restored, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 3, 2024

Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Second Amendment
5 Rights Restoration and Accountability Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION OF ATF FORM 4473 QUESTION**
2 **ABOUT PRIOR CONVICTIONS WHEN EXCEP-**
3 **TIONS APPLY.**

4 Within 90 days after the date of the enactment of
5 this Act, the Director of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
6 Firearms, and Explosives shall issue a rule providing for
7 Question 21.d., and the Notices, Instructions, and Defini-
8 tions relating to that question, on ATF Form 4473 to be
9 revised to more clearly inform a reader of the form of—

10 (1) the existence of the exceptions for the re-
11 ceipt of a pardon, the expungement or set aside of
12 a conviction, and the restoration of rights; and

13 (2) the correct information to provide in an-
14 swering that question when any of those exceptions
15 apply.

16 **SEC. 3. REVIEW OF CHARGES OF FALSE REPRESENTATION**
17 **IN ANSWERING PRIOR CONVICTION QUES-**
18 **TION ON ATF FORM 4473.**

19 Within 6 months after the date of the enactment of
20 this Act, the Comptroller General, the Attorney General,
21 and the Director of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Fire-
22 arms, and Explosives shall jointly—

23 (1) conduct a review of all cases in which an in-
24 dividual has been unjustly charged with making a
25 false representation in answering Question 21.d. on

1 ATF Form 4473 since the date of the enactment of
2 the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act; and

3 (2) determine whether—

4 (A) any such charge was brought; and

5 (B) any funds made available under such

6 Act were used in bringing any such charge.

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