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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Requires firearm retailers to provide disclosure of customer's responsibility to report stolen or lost firearms; advises customers it is unlawful to purchase firearms with intent to sell to disqualified persons.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Law and Public Safety Committee on October 15, 2026, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 10/15/2026)

1 AN ACT concerning the sale of firearms and supplementing Title 2C
2 of the New Jersey Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. Upon the retail sale or transfer of any firearm, a wholesale
8 dealer or wholesale dealer's employee and retail dealer or retail
9 dealer's employee shall deliver a written disclosure, that the purchaser
10 or transferee is required to sign and receive a copy of, with the
11 following information printed in block letters not less than one-fourth
12 of an inch in height:

13 "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW, IF YOUR FIREARM IS
14 LOST OR STOLEN, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT THIS
15 WITHIN 36 HOURS TO THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT
16 OFFICER OF THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE THE LOSS OR
17 THEFT OCCURRED OR IF THE MUNICIPALITY DOES NOT
18 HAVE A LOCAL POLICE FORCE, YOU MUST REPORT THE
19 LOST OR STOLEN FIREARM TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF
20 STATE POLICE.

21 PLEASE BE AWARE THAT IT IS ILLEGAL TO PURCHASE A
22 FIREARM WITH THE INTENT TO UNLAWFULLY SELL IT TO
23 ANY OTHER PERSON."

24 A firearm wholesale or retail dealer shall collect and maintain a
25 copy of each disclosure signed by a purchaser or transferee as
26 provided in this subsection for a period of not less than 15 years. Any
27 firearm wholesale or retail dealer who violates the provisions of this
28 act shall be subject to the penalties pursuant to subsection c. of this
29 section.

30 b. Every firearm wholesale and retail dealer shall conspicuously
31 post at each purchase counter the following disclosure, printed in
32 block letters not less than one inch in height:

33 "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW, IF YOUR FIREARM IS
34 LOST OR STOLEN, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT THIS
35 WITHIN 36 HOURS TO THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT
36 OFFICER OF THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE THE LOSS OR
37 THEFT OCCURRED OR IF THE MUNICIPALITY DOES NOT
38 HAVE A LOCAL POLICE FORCE, YOU MUST REPORT THE
39 LOST OR STOLEN FIREARM TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF
40 STATE POLICE.

41 PLEASE BE AWARE THAT IT IS ILLEGAL TO PURCHASE A
42 FIREARM WITH THE INTENT TO UNLAWFULLY SELL IT TO
43 ANY OTHER PERSON."

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SLP committee amendments adopted October 15, 2026.

1 c. ¹(1)¹ Any firearm wholesale or retail dealer that violates the
2 provisions of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to
3 \$500 for a first offense and up to \$1,000 for any subsequent offense.
4 The civil penalty shall be collected pursuant to the "Penalty
5 Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.), in a
6 summary proceeding before the municipal court having jurisdiction.
7 An ¹["official authorized by statute or ordinance to enforce the laws of
8 this State, or a law enforcement officer having enforcement authority
9 in that municipality, shall issue a summons for a violation of the
10 provisions of this section, and shall serve and execute all processes
11 with respect to the enforcement of this section consistent with the
12 Rules of Court"] action to enforce the provisions of this section may be
13 initiated by any person authorized by law or by a law enforcement
14 officer having enforcement authority in the municipality where the
15 violation occurred. The issuance and service of any complaint,
16 summons, or other process in connection with the action shall be
17 governed by the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New
18 Jersey.

19 (2) If a civil penalty imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) of this
20 subsection remains unpaid after becoming a final judgment and after
21 the expiration of any applicable period for payment, the person
22 authorized by law or the law enforcement officer who initiated the
23 enforcement action may pursue collection of the unpaid penalty in
24 accordance with applicable law. Nothing in this subsection shall be
25 construed to require the municipal court to undertake collection
26 activities beyond those required by law or the Rules Governing the
27 Courts of the State of New Jersey¹.

28 ¹(3)¹ A penalty recovered under the provisions of this subsection
29 shall be recovered in the name of the State by the municipality. All
30 penalties collected pursuant to this subsection shall be forwarded to the
31 Office of Attorney General to be used for gun violence prevention
32 efforts.

33 d. In accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act,"
34 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), the Superintendent of State
35 Police may promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the
36 provisions of this section.

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38 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the ¹["third"] fifth¹
39 month next following ¹the date of¹ enactment.