

# SENATE BILL 737

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Rifles and Shotguns – Transactions**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that a person who is not a certain licensee may not complete  
4 the transfer of a certain rifle or shotgun in a certain role, except under certain  
5 circumstances; requiring, before a certain transfer is conducted, the transferor and  
6 transferee to meet jointly with a certain licensee and request that the licensee  
7 facilitate the transfer; requiring a certain licensee to take certain actions when  
8 facilitating a certain transfer; authorizing a certain transferor to remove a certain  
9 rifle or shotgun from certain premises under certain circumstances; prohibiting a  
10 certain licensee and transferor from completing a certain transfer if a certain  
11 background check has a certain result; authorizing a certain transferor to remove a  
12 certain rifle or shotgun from certain premises if a certain background check has a  
13 certain result; authorizing a certain licensee to charge a reasonable fee for  
14 facilitating a certain transfer; establishing certain penalties for violating this Act  
15 and for providing false information while conducting a transfer under this Act;  
16 excluding certain transfers from the scope of this Act; prohibiting a licensee or any  
17 other person from selling, renting, or transferring a certain rifle or shotgun for a  
18 certain period of time following the execution of a federal firearms transaction  
19 record; requiring a person who sells, rents, or transfer a certain rifle or shotgun to  
20 forward a certain written notification of the transaction to the Secretary of State  
21 Police within a certain amount of time; requiring the Secretary to maintain a  
22 permanent record of all notifications received in the State; prohibiting a person from  
23 purchasing more than one certain rifle or shotgun in a 30-day period; providing for  
24 certain exceptions to the prohibition on purchasing more than one certain rifle or  
25 shotgun in a 30-day period; requiring a certain person who moves into the State to  
26 register certain rifles and shotguns with the Secretary within a certain period of  
27 time; requiring the Secretary to prepare and provide a certain application for  
28 registering rifles and shotguns; providing that certain registration data is not open  
29 to public inspection; prohibiting a certain person from selling, renting, or  
30 transferring a certain rifle or shotgun unless the person presents a long gun

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 qualification license issued by the Secretary or certain credentials or identification;  
 2 providing for certain exceptions to the requirement to present and possess a long gun  
 3 qualification license under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements  
 4 and procedures for the issuance and renewal of a long gun qualification license;  
 5 authorizing the Secretary to revoke a long gun qualification license under certain  
 6 circumstances; requiring a certain person to return a long gun qualification license  
 7 under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements and procedures for  
 8 the issuance of a replacement long gun qualification license under certain  
 9 circumstances; authorizing the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting a  
 10 certain dealer or other person from knowingly participating in the illegal sale, rental,  
 11 transfer, purchase, possession, or receipt of a certain rifle or shotgun under certain  
 12 circumstances; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally  
 13 relating to rifles and shotguns.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

15 Article – Public Safety

16 Section 5–201

17 Annotated Code of Maryland

18 (2018 Replacement Volume)

19 BY adding to

20 Article – Public Safety

21 Section 5–204.1 through 5–204.4, 5–207, and 5–208

22 Annotated Code of Maryland

23 (2018 Replacement Volume)

24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

25 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

26 **Article – Public Safety**

27 5–201.

28 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

29 **(B) “DEALER’S LICENSE” MEANS A STATE–REGULATED FIREARMS**  
 30 **DEALER’S LICENSE.**

31 **(C) “IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER” MEANS A SPOUSE, A PARENT, A**  
 32 **STEPPARENT, A GRANDPARENT, AN AUNT, AN UNCLE, A SIBLING, A STEPSIBLING, A**  
 33 **CHILD, A STEPCHILD, A GRANDCHILD, A NIECE, OR A NEPHEW, AS RELATED BY**  
 34 **BLOOD OR MARRIAGE.**

35 **(D) “LICENSEE” MEANS A PERSON WHO HOLDS A DEALER’S LICENSE.**

36 **[(b)] (E) “Rifle” has the meaning stated in § 4–201 of the Criminal Law Article.**

1 (F) "SECRETARY" MEANS THE SECRETARY OF STATE POLICE.

2 [(c)] (G) "Short-barreled rifle" has the meaning stated in § 4-201 of the  
3 Criminal Law Article.

4 [(d)] (H) "Short-barreled shotgun" has the meaning stated in § 4-201 of the  
5 Criminal Law Article.

6 [(e)] (I) "Shotgun" has the meaning stated in § 4-201 of the Criminal Law  
7 Article.

8 (J) "SPORT SHOOTING RANGE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 5-403.1 OF  
9 THE COURTS ARTICLE.

10 (K) "TRANSFER" MEANS A SALE, A RENTAL, A FURNISHING, A GIFT, A LOAN,  
11 OR ANY OTHER DELIVERY, WITH OR WITHOUT CONSIDERATION.

12 (L) "TRANSFeree" MEANS A PERSON WHO RECEIVES OR INTENDS TO  
13 RECEIVE A FIREARM IN A TRANSFER.

14 (M) "TRANSFEROR" MEANS A PERSON WHO DELIVERS OR INTENDS TO  
15 DELIVER A FIREARM IN A TRANSFER.

16 5-204.1.

17 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A TRANSFER:

18 (1) INVOLVING A LICENSEE OR A FEDERALLY LICENSED GUN  
19 MANUFACTURER, DEALER, OR IMPORTER;

20 (2) BETWEEN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS;

21 (3) INVOLVING LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL OF ANY UNIT OF THE  
22 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED  
23 STATES, A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD, OR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL  
24 OF THE STATE OR ANY LOCAL AGENCY IN THE STATE, WHILE ACTING IN THE SCOPE  
25 OF OFFICIAL DUTY;

26 (4) OF A CURIO OR RELIC FIREARM BETWEEN COLLECTORS WHO  
27 EACH HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION A VALID COLLECTOR OF CURIOS AND RELICS  
28 LICENSE, AS THE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN FEDERAL LAW OR DETERMINATIONS  
29 PUBLISHED BY THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES;

1           **(5) THAT IS TEMPORARY AND NECESSARY TO PREVENT IMMINENT**  
2 **DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY HARM IF THE TRANSFER LASTS ONLY AS LONG AS**  
3 **NECESSARY TO PREVENT IMMINENT DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY HARM;**

4           **(6) THAT OCCURS BY OPERATION OF LAW ON THE DEATH OF A PERSON**  
5 **FOR WHOM THE TRANSFEREE IS AN EXECUTOR, AN ADMINISTRATOR, A TRUSTEE, OR**  
6 **A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ESTATE OR A TRUST CREATED IN A WILL;**

7           **(7) OF AN UNSERVICEABLE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN TRANSFERRED AS A**  
8 **CURIO OR MUSEUM PIECE;**

9           **(8) OF A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN MODIFIED TO RENDER IT PERMANENTLY**  
10 **INOPERATIVE; OR**

11           **(9) THAT IS TEMPORARY, OCCURS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH**  
12 **THE TRANSFEROR HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE TRANSFEREE INTENDS TO**  
13 **USE THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN IN THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME OR TO ALLOW**  
14 **ANOTHER PERSON TO USE THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN, AND TAKES PLACE**  
15 **EXCLUSIVELY:**

16           **(I) AT AN ESTABLISHED SPORT SHOOTING RANGE OPERATED IN**  
17 **ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL LAW OF THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE RANGE IS**  
18 **LOCATED;**

19           **(II) DURING A LAWFULLY ORGANIZED COMPETITION**  
20 **INVOLVING THE USE OF A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN;**

21           **(III) DURING A PERFORMANCE OR A PRACTICE FOR A**  
22 **PERFORMANCE BY AN ORGANIZED GROUP THAT USES RIFLES OR SHOTGUNS AS PART**  
23 **OF THE PERFORMANCE;**

24           **(IV) WHILE THE TRANSFEREE IS HUNTING OR TRAPPING IF THE**  
25 **HUNTING OR TRAPPING IS LEGAL IN ALL PLACES AND AT ALL TIMES WHEN THE**  
26 **HUNTING OR TRAPPING IS CONDUCTED AND THE TRANSFEREE HOLDS ANY LICENSE**  
27 **OR PERMIT REQUIRED FOR THE HUNTING OR TRAPPING; OR**

28           **(V) IN THE ACTUAL PRESENCE OF THE TRANSFEROR.**

29           **(B) A PERSON WHO IS NOT A LICENSEE MAY NOT COMPLETE THE TRANSFER**  
30 **OF A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM, AS A TRANSFEREE**  
31 **OR TRANSFEROR, UNLESS THE PERSON IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION.**

1 (C) (1) BEFORE A TRANSFER IS CONDUCTED, THE TRANSFEROR AND  
2 TRANSFEREE SHALL MEET JOINTLY WITH A LICENSEE AND REQUEST THAT THE  
3 LICENSEE FACILITATE THE TRANSFER.

4 (2) (I) A LICENSEE WHO AGREES TO FACILITATE A TRANSFER  
5 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PROCESS THE TRANSFER **AS THOUGH TRANSFERRING**  
6 THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN FROM THE LICENSEE'S OWN INVENTORY TO THE  
7 TRANSFEREE.

8 (II) THE LICENSEE SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL FEDERAL AND  
9 STATE LAW THAT WOULD APPLY TO THE TRANSFER, INCLUDING ALL BACKGROUND  
10 CHECK AND RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS.

11 (D) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF LAW, THE  
12 TRANSFEROR MAY REMOVE THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN FROM THE PREMISES OF THE  
13 LICENSEE OR A GUN SHOW WHILE A BACKGROUND CHECK IS BEING CONDUCTED,  
14 BUT MUST SUBSEQUENTLY DELIVER THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN TO THE LICENSEE TO  
15 COMPLETE THE TRANSFER.

16 (E) (1) THE LICENSEE OR THE TRANSFEROR MAY NOT COMPLETE THE  
17 TRANSFER TO THE TRANSFEREE IF THE RESULTS OF THE BACKGROUND CHECK  
18 INDICATE THAT THE TRANSFEREE MAY NOT POSSESS THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN.

19 (2) IF THE RESULTS OF THE BACKGROUND CHECK INDICATE THAT  
20 THE TRANSFEREE MAY NOT POSSESS THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN, THE TRANSFEROR  
21 MAY REMOVE THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN FROM THE PREMISES OF THE LICENSEE OR A  
22 GUN SHOW.

23 (F) A LICENSEE MAY CHARGE **A REASONABLE FEE FOR FACILITATING** A  
24 TRANSFER UNDER THIS SECTION.

25 (G) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A  
26 PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON  
27 CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 5 YEARS OR A FINE  
28 NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000 OR BOTH.

29 (2) A PERSON WHO PROVIDES FALSE INFORMATION WHILE  
30 CONDUCTING A TRANSACTION UNDER THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR  
31 AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS OR A  
32 FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR BOTH.

33 5-204.2.

1 (A) A LICENSEE OR ANY OTHER PERSON MAY NOT SELL, RENT, OR  
2 TRANSFER A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN **OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM UNTIL 7 DAYS**  
3 AFTER A FEDERAL FIREARMS TRANSACTION RECORD IS EXECUTED BY THE  
4 TRANSFEREE, AND THE LICENSEE OR TRANSFEROR BEGINS TO PROCESS THE  
5 TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW.

6 (B) (1) (I) A LICENSEE OR ANY OTHER PERSON WHO SELLS, RENTS, OR  
7 TRANSFERS A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM IN  
8 COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE SHALL FORWARD A COPY OF THE WRITTEN  
9 NOTIFICATION OF THE COMPLETED TRANSACTION TO THE SECRETARY WITHIN 7  
10 DAYS AFTER DELIVERY OF THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN.

11 (II) THE NOTIFICATION SHALL CONTAIN AN IDENTIFYING  
12 DESCRIPTION OF THE FIREARM, INCLUDING ITS CALIBER, MAKE, MODEL, ANY  
13 MANUFACTURER'S SERIAL NUMBER, AND ANY OTHER SPECIAL OR PECULIAR  
14 CHARACTERISTIC OR MARKING BY WHICH THE FIREARM MAY BE IDENTIFIED.

15 (2) **THE SECRETARY SHALL MAINTAIN A PERMANENT RECORD OF ALL**  
16 **SUCH NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED IN THE STATE.**

17 **5-204.3.**

18 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

19 (1) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY;

20 (2) AN AGENCY AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM LAW ENFORCEMENT  
21 DUTIES;

22 (3) A STATE OR LOCAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY;

23 (4) A PRIVATE SECURITY COMPANY LICENSED TO DO BUSINESS IN  
24 THE STATE;

25 (5) THE PURCHASE OF AN ANTIQUE FIREARM;

26 (6) A PURCHASE BY A LICENSEE;

27 (7) THE EXCHANGE OR REPLACEMENT OF A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN BY A  
28 SELLER FOR A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN PURCHASED FROM THE SELLER BY THE SAME  
29 PERSON SEEKING THE EXCHANGE OR REPLACEMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS IMMEDIATELY  
30 BEFORE THE EXCHANGE OR REPLACEMENT; OR

1           **(8) A PERSON WHOSE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN IS STOLEN OR**  
2 **IRRETRIEVABLY LOST AND WHO CONSIDERS IT ESSENTIAL THAT THE RIFLE OR**  
3 **SHOTGUN BE REPLACED IMMEDIATELY, IF:**

4           **(I) THE PERSON PROVIDES THE LICENSEE WITH A COPY OF THE**  
5 **OFFICIAL POLICE REPORT OR AN OFFICIAL SUMMARY OF THE REPORT;**

6           **(II) THE OFFICIAL POLICE REPORT OR OFFICIAL SUMMARY OF**  
7 **THE REPORT CONTAINS THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN**  
8 **OWNER, A DESCRIPTION OF THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN, THE LOCATION OF THE LOSS**  
9 **OR THEFT, THE DATE OF THE LOSS OR THEFT, AND THE DATE WHEN THE LOSS OR**  
10 **THEFT WAS REPORTED TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY; AND**

11           **(III) THE LOSS OR THEFT OCCURRED WITHIN 30 DAYS BEFORE**  
12 **THE PERSON'S ATTEMPT TO REPLACE THE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN, AS REFLECTED BY**  
13 **THE DATE OF LOSS OR THEFT ON THE OFFICIAL POLICE REPORT OR OFFICIAL**  
14 **SUMMARY OF THE REPORT.**

15           **(B) A PERSON MAY NOT PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE RIFLE OR SHOTGUN**  
16 **OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM IN A 30-DAY PERIOD.**

17           **(C) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR**  
18 **AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS OR A**  
19 **FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR BOTH.**

20 **5-204.4.**

21           **(A) (1) A PERSON WHO MOVES INTO THE STATE WITH THE INTENT OF**  
22 **BECOMING A RESIDENT SHALL REGISTER ALL RIFLES AND SHOTGUNS OTHER THAN**  
23 **A REGULATED FIREARM WITH THE SECRETARY WITHIN 90 DAYS AFTER**  
24 **ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY.**

25           **(2) THE SECRETARY SHALL PREPARE AND, ON REQUEST OF AN**  
26 **APPLICANT, PROVIDE AN APPLICATION FORM FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THIS**  
27 **SECTION.**

28           **(B) AN APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL**  
29 **CONTAIN:**

30           **(1) THE MAKE, MODEL, MANUFACTURER'S SERIAL NUMBER, CALIBER,**  
31 **TYPE, BARREL LENGTH, FINISH, AND COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OF EACH RIFLE AND**  
32 **SHOTGUN OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM; AND**

1           (2) THE OWNER'S NAME, ADDRESS, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER,  
2 PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, RACE, EYE AND HAIR COLOR,  
3 SIGNATURE, DRIVER'S OR PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION SOUNDEX NUMBER,  
4 AND OCCUPATION.

5           (C) AN APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION FILED WITH THE SECRETARY  
6 SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A NONREFUNDABLE TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE OF \$15,  
7 REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF FIREARMS REGISTERED.

8           (D) REGISTRATION DATA PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION IS NOT OPEN TO  
9 PUBLIC INSPECTION.

10 5-207.

11           (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

12           (1) A LICENSED FIREARMS MANUFACTURER;

13           (2) A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR PERSON WHO IS RETIRED IN  
14 GOOD STANDING FROM SERVICE WITH A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OF THE  
15 UNITED STATES, THE STATE, OR A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OF THE  
16 STATE;

17           (3) A MEMBER OR RETIRED MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE  
18 UNITED STATES OR THE NATIONAL GUARD; OR

19           (4) A PERSON PURCHASING, RENTING, OR RECEIVING AN ANTIQUE,  
20 CURIO, OR RELIC FIREARM, AS DEFINED IN FEDERAL LAW OR IN DETERMINATIONS  
21 PUBLISHED BY THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES.

22           (B) A DEALER OR ANY OTHER PERSON MAY NOT SELL, RENT, OR TRANSFER  
23 A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM TO A PURCHASER,  
24 LESSEE, OR TRANSFEREE UNLESS THE PURCHASER, LESSEE, OR TRANSFEREE  
25 PRESENTS TO THE DEALER OR OTHER PERSON A VALID LONG GUN QUALIFICATION  
26 LICENSE ISSUED TO THE PURCHASER, LESSEE, OR TRANSFEREE BY THE SECRETARY  
27 UNDER THIS SECTION.

28           (C) A PERSON MAY PURCHASE, RENT, OR RECEIVE A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN  
29 ONLY IF THE PERSON:

30           (1) (I) POSSESSES A VALID LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE  
31 ISSUED TO THE PERSON BY THE SECRETARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION;



1 (II) POSSESSES VALID CREDENTIALS FROM A LAW  
2 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR RETIREMENT CREDENTIALS FROM A LAW  
3 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY;

4 (III) IS AN ACTIVE OR RETIRED MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES  
5 OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE NATIONAL GUARD AND POSSESSES A VALID  
6 MILITARY IDENTIFICATION CARD; OR

7 (IV) IS PURCHASING, RENTING, OR RECEIVING AN ANTIQUE,  
8 CURIO, OR RELIC FIREARM, AS DEFINED IN FEDERAL LAW OR IN DETERMINATIONS  
9 PUBLISHED BY THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES;  
10 AND

11 (2) IS NOT OTHERWISE PROHIBITED FROM PURCHASING OR  
12 POSSESSING A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM UNDER  
13 STATE OR FEDERAL LAW.

14 (D) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTIONS (F) AND (G) OF THIS SECTION, **THE**  
15 **SECRETARY SHALL ISSUE A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE TO A PERSON WHO**  
16 **THE SECRETARY FINDS:**

17 (1) IS AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD;

18 (2) IS A RESIDENT OF THE STATE;

19 (3) **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, HAS**  
20 **DEMONSTRATED SATISFACTORY COMPLETION, WITHIN 3 YEARS PRIOR TO THE**  
21 **SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION, OF A FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING COURSE**  
22 **APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY THAT INCLUDES:**

23 (I) **A MINIMUM OF 4 HOURS OF INSTRUCTION BY A QUALIFIED**  
24 **FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR;**

25 (II) **CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION ON:**

26 1. **STATE FIREARM LAW;**

27 2. **HOME FIREARM SAFETY; AND**

28 3. **RIFLE AND SHOTGUN MECHANISMS AND OPERATION;**

29 AND

1 (III) A FIREARMS ORIENTATION COMPONENT THAT  
2 DEMONSTRATES THE PERSON'S SAFE OPERATION AND HANDLING OF A FIREARM;  
3 AND

4 (4) BASED ON AN INVESTIGATION, IS NOT PROHIBITED BY FEDERAL  
5 OR STATE LAW FROM PURCHASING OR POSSESSING A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER  
6 THAN A REGULATED FIREARM.

7 (E) AN APPLICANT FOR A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE IS NOT  
8 REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING COURSE UNDER  
9 SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION IF THE APPLICANT:

10 (1) HAS COMPLETED A CERTIFIED FIREARMS TRAINING COURSE  
11 APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY;

12 (2) HAS COMPLETED A COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN COMPETENCY  
13 AND SAFETY IN THE HANDLING OF FIREARMS PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
14 NATURAL RESOURCES UNDER § 10-301.1 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE;

15 (3) IS A QUALIFIED FIREARM INSTRUCTOR;

16 (4) IS AN HONORABLY DISCHARGED MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES  
17 OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE NATIONAL GUARD;

18 (5) IS AN EMPLOYEE OF AN ARMORED CAR COMPANY AND HAS A  
19 PERMIT ISSUED UNDER TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR

20 (6) LAWFULLY OWNS A FIREARM.

21 (F) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "CENTRAL REPOSITORY" MEANS THE  
22 CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM CENTRAL REPOSITORY OF THE  
23 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES.

24 (2) THE SECRETARY SHALL APPLY TO THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY  
25 FOR A STATE AND NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK FOR EACH  
26 APPLICANT FOR A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE.

27 (3) AS PART OF THE APPLICATION FOR A CRIMINAL HISTORY  
28 RECORDS CHECK, THE SECRETARY SHALL SUBMIT TO THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY:

29 (I) A COMPLETE SET OF THE APPLICANT'S LEGIBLE  
30 FINGERPRINTS TAKEN IN A FORMAT APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL  
31 REPOSITORY AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION;

1 (II) THE FEE AUTHORIZED UNDER § 10-221(B)(7) OF THE  
2 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE FOR ACCESS TO MARYLAND CRIMINAL HISTORY  
3 RECORDS; AND

4 (III) THE MANDATORY PROCESSING FEE REQUIRED BY THE  
5 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR A NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY  
6 RECORDS CHECK.

7 (4) THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY SHALL PROVIDE A RECEIPT TO THE  
8 APPLICANT FOR THE FEES PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (3)(II) AND (III)  
9 OF THIS SUBSECTION.

10 (5) IN ACCORDANCE WITH §§ 10-201 THROUGH 10-234 OF THE  
11 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE, THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY SHALL FORWARD TO  
12 THE APPLICANT AND THE SECRETARY A PRINTED STATEMENT OF THE APPLICANT'S  
13 CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION.

14 (6) INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY  
15 UNDER THIS SECTION:

16 (I) IS CONFIDENTIAL AND MAY NOT BE DISSEMINATED; AND

17 (II) SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE LICENSING PURPOSE  
18 AUTHORIZED BY THIS SECTION.

19 (7) IF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION IS REPORTED TO  
20 THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY AFTER THE DATE OF THE INITIAL CRIMINAL HISTORY  
21 RECORDS CHECK, THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY SHALL PROVIDE TO THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE LICENSING DIVISION A REVISED PRINTED  
23 STATEMENT OF THE APPLICANT'S OR LICENSEE'S STATE CRIMINAL HISTORY  
24 RECORD.

25 (G) AN APPLICANT FOR A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE SHALL  
26 SUBMIT TO THE SECRETARY:

27 (1) AN APPLICATION IN THE MANNER AND FORMAT DESIGNATED BY  
28 THE SECRETARY;

29 (2) A NONREFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE TO COVER THE COSTS TO  
30 ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM OF UP TO **\$50;**

31 (3) (I) PROOF OF SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF:

1                   1.     A FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING COURSE APPROVED BY  
2 THE SECRETARY; OR

3                   2.     A COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN COMPETENCY AND  
4 SAFETY IN THE HANDLING OF FIREARMS PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
5 NATURAL RESOURCES UNDER § 10-301.1 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE;  
6 OR

7                   (II)   A VALID FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION;

8                   (4)   ANY OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTATION  
9 REQUIRED BY THE SECRETARY; AND

10                  (5)   A STATEMENT MADE BY THE APPLICANT UNDER THE PENALTY OF  
11 PERJURY THAT THE APPLICANT IS NOT PROHIBITED UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE  
12 LAW FROM POSSESSING A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER THAN A REGULATED FIREARM.

13                  (H)   (1)   WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A PROPERLY COMPLETED  
14 APPLICATION, THE SECRETARY SHALL ISSUE TO THE APPLICANT:

15                   (I)   A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE IF THE APPLICANT IS  
16 APPROVED; OR

17                   (II)   A WRITTEN DENIAL OF THE APPLICATION THAT CONTAINS:

18                   1.     THE REASON THE APPLICATION WAS DENIED; AND

19                   2.     A STATEMENT OF THE APPLICANT'S APPEAL RIGHTS  
20 UNDER SUBSECTION (L) OF THIS SECTION.

21                   (2)   (I)   AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE FINGERPRINTS HAVE BEEN  
22 SUBMITTED TO THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY, AND WHOSE APPLICATION HAS BEEN  
23 DENIED, MAY REQUEST THAT THE RECORD OF THE FINGERPRINTS BE EXPUNGED BY  
24 OBLITERATION.

25                   (II)   PROCEEDINGS TO EXPUNGE A RECORD UNDER THIS  
26 PARAGRAPH SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 10-105 OF THE  
27 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.

28                   (III)   ON RECEIPT OF AN ORDER TO EXPUNGE A FINGERPRINT  
29 RECORD, THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY SHALL EXPUNGE BY OBLITERATION THE  
30 FINGERPRINTS SUBMITTED AS PART OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS.

1 (IV) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT BE CHARGED A FEE FOR THE  
2 EXPUNGEMENT OF A FINGERPRINT RECORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS  
3 PARAGRAPH.

4 (I) A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION  
5 **EXPIRES 10 YEARS** FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE.

6 (J) (1) THE LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE MAY BE RENEWED FOR  
7 SUCCESSIVE PERIODS OF 10 YEARS EACH IF, AT THE TIME OF AN APPLICATION FOR  
8 RENEWAL, THE APPLICANT:

9 (I) POSSESSES THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF  
10 THE LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE; AND

11 (II) SUBMITS A NONREFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE TO COVER  
12 THE COSTS TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM OF UP TO \$20.

13 (2) AN APPLICANT RENEWING A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE  
14 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT REQUIRED TO:

15 (I) COMPLETE THE FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING COURSE  
16 REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (D)(3) OF THIS SECTION; OR

17 (II) SUBMIT TO A STATE AND NATIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY  
18 RECORDS CHECK AS REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (F) OF THIS SECTION.

19 (K) (1) THE SECRETARY MAY REVOKE A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION  
20 LICENSE ISSUED OR RENEWED UNDER THIS SECTION ON A FINDING THAT THE  
21 LICENSEE NO LONGER SATISFIES THE QUALIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION  
22 (D) OF THIS SECTION.

23 (2) A PERSON HOLDING A LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE THAT  
24 HAS BEEN REVOKED BY THE SECRETARY SHALL RETURN THE LICENSE TO THE  
25 SECRETARY WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE OF REVOCATION.

26 (L) (1) A PERSON WHOSE ORIGINAL OR RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A  
27 LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE IS DENIED, OR WHOSE LONG GUN  
28 QUALIFICATION LICENSE IS REVOKED, MAY SUBMIT A WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE  
29 SECRETARY FOR A HEARING WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE WRITTEN  
30 NOTICE OF THE DENIAL OR REVOCATION WAS SENT TO THE AGGRIEVED PERSON.

1           (2) A HEARING UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE GRANTED BY THE  
2 SECRETARY WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE REQUEST.

3           (3) A HEARING AND ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS OF JUDICIAL  
4 REVIEW UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE  
5 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

6           (4) A HEARING UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE HELD IN THE COUNTY  
7 OF THE LEGAL RESIDENCE OF THE AGGRIEVED PERSON.

8           (M) (1) IF AN ORIGINAL OR RENEWAL LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE  
9 IS LOST OR STOLEN, A PERSON MAY SUBMIT A WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE  
10 SECRETARY FOR A REPLACEMENT LICENSE.

11           (2) UNLESS THE APPLICANT IS OTHERWISE DISQUALIFIED, THE  
12 SECRETARY SHALL ISSUE A REPLACEMENT LONG GUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE ON  
13 RECEIPT OF A WRITTEN REQUEST AND A NONREFUNDABLE FEE TO COVER THE COST  
14 OF REPLACEMENT OF UP TO \$20.

15           (N) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE  
16 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

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18           (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, A DEALER OR  
19 **OTHER PERSON** MAY NOT KNOWINGLY PARTICIPATE IN THE ILLEGAL SALE, RENTAL,  
20 TRANSFER, PURCHASE, POSSESSION, OR RECEIPT OF A RIFLE OR SHOTGUN OTHER  
21 THAN A REGULATED FIREARM IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.

22           (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR  
23 AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT **NOT EXCEEDING 5 YEARS OR A**  
24 **FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000 OR BOTH.**

25           (C) EACH VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS A SEPARATE CRIME.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 October 1, 2019.