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HOUSE BILL 20-1356

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF AN INDIVIDUAL FIREARM OWNER 102 TO REPORT AN UNACCOUNTED-FOR FIREARM.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill requires an individual who owns a firearm to report the loss or theft of that firearm to a law enforcement agency within 48 hours after discovering that the firearm was lost or stolen. A first offense for failure to make such a report is a petty offense punishable by a twenty-five dollar fine and a second or subsequent offense is a class 3 misdemeanor. The 48-hour reporting requirement does not apply to a

licensed gun dealer.

The bill requires a law enforcement agency that receives a report of a lost or stolen firearm to enter information about the lost or stolen firearm into the national crime information center database.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 18-12-113 as
3	follows:
4	18-12-113. Failure to report a lost or stolen firearm -
5	exception. (1) (a) A PERSON WHO OWNS A FIREARM AND WHO HAS
6	REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT FIREARM HAS BEEN LOST OR STOLEN
7	SHALL REPORT SUCH FACT TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY NOT MORE
8	THAN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS AFTER DISCOVERING THAT THE FIREARM HAS
9	BEEN LOST OR STOLEN.
10	(b) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION, A
11	PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY VIOLATES SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION
12	COMMITS FAILURE TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN FIREARM.
13	(2) Failure to report a lost or stolen firearm is a class 2
14	PETTY OFFENSE, PUNISHABLE BY A TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR FINE, EXCEPT
15	THAT A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE IS A CLASS 3 MISDEMEANOR.
16	(3) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LICENSED GUN DEALER, AS
17	DEFINED IN SECTION 18-12-506.
18	(4) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT RECEIVES A REPORT OF A
19	LOST OR STOLEN FIREARM PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL ENTER ANY
20	AVAILABLE DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION RELATED TO THE LOST OR STOLEN
21	FIREARM INTO THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER DATABASE.
22	SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
23	takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

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- ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2020); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
- November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 8 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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