

**First Regular Session  
Sixty-eighth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**INTRODUCED**

LLS NO. 11-0411.01 Richard Sweetman

**SENATE BILL 11-053**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101     **CONCERNING THE GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY TO RESTRICT THE**  
102             **DISTRIBUTION OF FIREARMS DURING A STATE OF DISASTER**  
103             **EMERGENCY.**

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**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://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The bill eliminates the authority of the governor to suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of firearms during a state of disaster emergency.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2           **SECTION 1.** 24-32-2104 (7) (h), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
3 amended to read:

4           **24-32-2104. The governor and disaster emergencies.** (7) In  
5 addition to any other powers conferred upon the governor by law, the  
6 governor may:

7           (h) Suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of  
8 alcoholic beverages, ~~firearms~~, explosives, or combustibles; and

9           **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
10 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
11 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly  
12 (August 10, 2011, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2011); except  
13 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article  
14 V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of  
15 this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not  
16 take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be  
17 held in November 2012 and shall take effect on the date of the official  
18 declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.