

SENATE BILL 557

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38
and Title 39, relative to firearm laws.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. This act is known and may be cited as the "Tennessee Firearm Protection Act."

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-3-115, is amended by deleting subsections (a) and (b) and substituting:

(a)

(1) On or after July 1, 2021, public funds of this state, or any political subdivision of this state, shall not be allocated to the implementation, regulation, or enforcement of any federal law, executive order, rule, or regulation regulating the ownership, use, sale, or possession of firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories, if the expenditure of public funds would result in the violation of another Tennessee statute, Tennessee common law, or the Constitution of Tennessee.

(2) On or after July 1, 2021, personnel or property of this state, or any political subdivision of this state, shall not be allocated to the implementation, regulation, or enforcement of any federal law, executive order, rule, or regulation regulating the ownership, use, sale, or possession of firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories, if the expenditure of public funds would result in the violation of another Tennessee statute, Tennessee common law, or the Constitution of Tennessee.

(b)

(1) On or after July 1, 2021, personnel or property of this state, or any political subdivision of this state, shall not be allocated to the implementation, regulation, or enforcement of any international law or treaty regulating the ownership, use, sale, or possession of firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories, if the expenditure of public funds would result in the violation of another Tennessee statute, Tennessee common law, or the Constitution of Tennessee.

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SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1314(b)(4), is amended by adding the language ", except as prohibited by § 38-3-115" before the period.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. 1 to SB0557

Bell
Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 557

House Bill No. 446*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

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SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-3-115, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

A violation of this section by a state or local government entity may be reviewed by the office of the attorney general and reporter and the general assembly and may result in the entity's loss of funding from the state for the fiscal year following the violation.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1314(b)(4), is amended by adding the language ", except as prohibited by § 38-3-115" before the period.

SECTION 5. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.