



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 105**

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Substitute House Bill No. 5275

*House of Representatives, March 23, 2010*

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through REP. DARGAN of the 115th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT ELIMINATING A REQUIREMENT FOR A STATE BOOK OF RECORDS OF PISTOL AND REVOLVER SALES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 29-31 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 No sale of any pistol or revolver shall be made except in the room,  
4 store or place described in the permit for the sale of pistols and  
5 revolvers, and such permit or a copy thereof certified by the authority  
6 issuing the same shall be exposed to view within the room, store or  
7 place where pistols or revolvers are sold or offered or exposed for sale,  
8 and no sale or delivery of any pistol or revolver shall be made unless  
9 the purchaser or person to whom the same is to be delivered is  
10 personally known to the vendor of such pistol or revolver or the  
11 person making delivery thereof or unless the person making such  
12 purchase or to whom delivery thereof is to be made provides evidence  
13 of his identity. The vendor of any pistol or revolver shall keep a record

14 of each pistol or revolver sold in a book kept for that purpose, which  
 15 record shall be in such form as is prescribed by [the Commissioner of  
 16 Public Safety and shall include the date of the sale, the caliber, make,  
 17 model and manufacturer's number of such pistol or revolver and the  
 18 name, address and occupation of the purchaser thereof, and shall be  
 19 signed by the purchaser and by the person making the sale, each in the  
 20 presence of the other, and shall be preserved by the vendor of such  
 21 pistol or revolver for at least six years] 27 CFR 478.125. The vendor of  
 22 any pistol or revolver shall make such record available for inspection  
 23 upon the request of any sworn member of the Division of State Police  
 24 within the Department of Public Safety or investigator assigned to the  
 25 state-wide firearms trafficking task force established under section 29-  
 26 38e.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	29-31

**PS**            *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

***Explanation***

This bill requires vendors to make the federal record book of pistol or revolver sales available upon request to the Department of Public Safety. There is no fiscal impact associated with this change.

***The Out Years***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR Bill Analysis****sHB 5275*****AN ACT ELIMINATING A REQUIREMENT FOR A STATE BOOK OF RECORDS OF PISTOL AND REVOLVER SALES.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill eliminates a duplicative recording requirement. Under current law, a handgun (pistol and revolver) vendor must record each sale in a book as the public safety commissioner prescribes. Vendors must also keep such a book under federal regulation (CFR 478.125). The bill eliminates the requirement to keep a separate state record book.

It also requires vendors to make the federal record book available for inspection upon request by any sworn member of the State Police or investigator assigned to the Statewide Firearms Trafficking Task Force.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010

**BACKGROUND*****State Record Book***

Vendors must maintain records for at least six years and include (1) the sale date; (2) the handgun's caliber, make, model, and manufacturer's number; (3) the purchaser's name, address, and occupation; and (4) signatures of the seller and purchaser.

***Federal Record Book***

Before selling a handgun, a vendor must record his or her inventory including: (1) the date of receipt; (2) the name and address or the name and license number of the person it was received from; (3) the name of the manufacturer and importer, if any; and (4) the firearm's model, serial number, type, and caliber or gauge.

Within seven days of a transaction, the vendor must record the date of the sale or other disposition and either: (1) the name and address of the transferee; (2) if licensed, the name and licensee number of the transferee; or (3) the firearms transaction record serial number, if the transferee serially numbers the forms and files them numerically.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/09/2010)