



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 505

LCO No. 3074



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE MINIMUM AGE TO PURCHASE A RIFLE
OR OTHER LONG GUN.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 29-37a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2013*):

4 (a) No person, firm or corporation may deliver, at retail, any
5 firearm, as defined in section 53a-3, other than a pistol or revolver, to
6 any person unless such person is twenty-one years of age or older and
7 makes application on a form prescribed and furnished by the
8 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, which
9 shall be attached by the vendor to the federal sale or transfer document
10 and filed and retained by the vendor for at least twenty years or until
11 such vendor goes out of business. Such application shall be available
12 for inspection during normal business hours by law enforcement
13 officials. No sale or delivery of any firearm shall be made until the
14 expiration of two weeks from the date of the application, and until the
15 person, firm or corporation making such sale, delivery or transfer has
16 insured that such application has been completed properly and has

17 obtained an authorization number from the Commissioner of
 18 Emergency Services and Public Protection for such sale, delivery or
 19 transfer. The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
 20 shall make every effort, including performing the national instant
 21 criminal background check, to determine if the applicant is eligible to
 22 receive such firearm. If it is determined that the applicant is ineligible
 23 to receive such firearm, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and
 24 Public Protection shall immediately notify the person, firm or
 25 corporation to whom such application was made and no such firearm
 26 shall be sold or delivered to such applicant by such person, firm or
 27 corporation. When any firearm is delivered in connection with the sale
 28 or purchase, such firearm shall be enclosed in a package, the paper or
 29 wrapping of which shall be securely fastened, and no such firearm
 30 when delivered on any sale or purchase shall be loaded or contain any
 31 gunpowder or other explosive or any bullet, ball or shell.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section	October 1, 2013	29-37a(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To establish the same minimum age for the purchase of a rifle or other long gun as is required for the purchase of a handgun.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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