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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1612**

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**By** House Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Harris, Jinkins, Goodman, Haler, Robinson, Fey, Kilduff, and McBride)

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1 AN ACT Relating to a public health educational platform for  
2 suicide prevention and strategies to reduce access to lethal means;  
3 amending RCW 43.70.445, 43.70.442, and 9.41.113; adding new sections  
4 to chapter 43.70 RCW; creating a new section; making an  
5 appropriation; and providing an effective date.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that over one  
8 thousand one hundred suicide deaths occur each year in Washington and  
9 these suicide deaths take an enormous toll on families and  
10 communities across the state. The legislature further finds that:  
11 Sixty-five percent of all suicides, and most suicide deaths and  
12 attempts for young people ages ten to eighteen, occur using firearms  
13 and prescription medications that are easily accessible in homes;  
14 firearms are the most lethal method used in suicide and almost  
15 entirely account for more men dying by suicide than women; sixty-  
16 seven percent of all veteran deaths by suicide are by firearm; and  
17 nearly eighty percent of all deaths by firearms in Washington are  
18 suicides. The legislature further finds that there is a need for a  
19 robust public education campaign designed to raise awareness of  
20 suicide and to teach everyone the role that he or she can play in  
21 suicide prevention. The legislature further finds that important

1 suicide prevention efforts include: Motivating households to improve  
2 safe storage practices to reduce deaths from firearms and  
3 prescription medications; decreasing barriers to prevent access to  
4 lethal means by allowing for temporary and voluntary transfers of  
5 firearms when individuals are at risk for suicide; increasing access  
6 to drug take-back sites; and making the public aware of suicide  
7 prevention steps, including recognizing warning signs, empathizing  
8 and listening, asking directly about suicide, removing dangers to  
9 ensure immediate safety, and getting help. The legislature intends by  
10 this act to create a public-private partnership fund to implement a  
11 suicide-safer home public education campaign in the coming years.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.70.445 and 2016 c 90 s 2 are each amended to read  
13 as follows:

14 (1)(a) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for  
15 this specific purpose, a ~~((safe))~~ suicide-safer homes task force is  
16 established to raise public awareness and increase suicide prevention  
17 education among new partners who are in key positions to help reduce  
18 suicide. The task force shall be administered and staffed by the  
19 University of Washington school of social work.

20 (b) The ~~((safe))~~ suicide-safer homes task force ~~((shall consist~~  
21 ~~of the members comprised of))~~ comprises a suicide prevention and  
22 firearms subcommittee and a suicide prevention and ~~((pharmacy))~~  
23 health care subcommittee, as follows:

24 (i) The suicide prevention and firearms subcommittee shall  
25 consist of the following members and be cochaired by the University  
26 of Washington school of social work and a member identified in  
27 (b)(i)(A) of this subsection (1):

28 (A) A representative of the national rifle association and a  
29 representative of the second amendment foundation;

30 (B) Two representatives of suicide prevention organizations,  
31 selected by the cochairs of the subcommittee;

32 (C) Two representatives of the firearms industry, selected by the  
33 cochairs of the subcommittee;

34 (D) Two individuals who are suicide attempt survivors or who have  
35 experienced suicide loss, selected by the cochairs of the  
36 subcommittee;

37 (E) Two representatives of law enforcement agencies, selected by  
38 the cochairs of the subcommittee;

39 (F) One representative from the department of health;

1 (G) One representative from the department of veterans affairs,  
2 and one other individual representing veterans to be selected by the  
3 cochairs of the subcommittee; and

4 (H) No more than two other interested parties, selected by the  
5 cochairs of the subcommittee.

6 (ii) The suicide prevention and ~~((pharmacy))~~ health care  
7 subcommittee shall consist of the following members and be cochaired  
8 by the University of Washington school of social work and a member  
9 identified in (b)(ii)(A) of this subsection (1):

10 (A) Two representatives of the Washington state pharmacy  
11 association;

12 (B) Two representatives of retailers who operate pharmacies,  
13 selected by the cochairs of the subcommittee;

14 (C) One faculty member from the University of Washington school  
15 of pharmacy and one faculty member from the Washington State  
16 University school of pharmacy;

17 (D) One representative of the department of health;

18 (E) One representative of the pharmacy quality assurance  
19 commission;

20 (F) Two representatives of the Washington state poison control  
21 center;

22 (G) One representative of the department of veterans affairs, and  
23 one other individual representing veterans to be selected by the  
24 cochairs of the subcommittee; ~~((and))~~

25 (H) Three members representing health care professionals  
26 providing suicide prevention training in the state, selected by the  
27 cochairs of the subcommittee; and

28 (I) No more than two other interested parties, selected by the  
29 cochairs of the subcommittee.

30 (c) The University of Washington school of social work shall  
31 convene the initial meeting of the task force.

32 (2) The task force shall:

33 (a) Develop and prepare to disseminate online trainings on  
34 suicide awareness and prevention for firearms dealers and their  
35 employees and firearm range owners and their employees;

36 (b) In consultation with the department of fish and wildlife,  
37 review the firearm safety pamphlet produced by the department of fish  
38 and wildlife under RCW 9.41.310 and, by January 1, 2017, recommend  
39 changes to the pamphlet to incorporate information on suicide  
40 awareness and prevention;

1 (c) Develop and approve suicide awareness and prevention messages  
2 for posters and brochures that are tailored to be effective for  
3 firearms owners for distribution to firearms dealers and  
4 ~~((firearm[s])~~) firearms ranges;

5 (d) Develop suicide awareness and prevention messages for posters  
6 and brochures for distribution to pharmacies;

7 (e) In consultation with the department of fish and wildlife,  
8 develop strategies for creating and disseminating suicide awareness  
9 and prevention information for hunting safety classes, including  
10 messages to parents that can be shared during online registration, in  
11 either follow-up ~~((electronic mail [email])~~) email communications, or  
12 in writing, or both;

13 (f) Develop suicide awareness and prevention messages for  
14 training for the schools of pharmacy and provide input on trainings  
15 being developed for community pharmacists;

16 ~~((Provide input to the department of health on the  
17 implementation of the safe homes project established in section 3 of  
18 this act;~~

19 ~~(h))~~) Create a web site that will be a clearinghouse for the  
20 newly created suicide awareness and prevention materials developed by  
21 the task force; ~~((and~~

22 ~~(i))~~) (h) Conduct a survey of firearms dealers and firearms  
23 ranges in the state to determine the types and amounts of incentives  
24 that would be effective in encouraging those entities to participate  
25 in ~~((the safe))~~ suicide-safer homes projects ~~((created in section 3  
26 of this act))~~;

27 ~~((+j))~~) (i) Gather input on collateral educational materials that  
28 will help health care professionals in suicide prevention work; and

29 (j) Create, implement, and evaluate a suicide awareness and  
30 prevention pilot program in two counties, one rural and one urban,  
31 that have high suicide rates. The pilot program shall include:

32 (i) Developing and directing advocacy efforts with firearms  
33 dealers to pair suicide awareness and prevention training with  
34 distribution of safe storage devices;

35 (ii) Developing and directing advocacy efforts with pharmacies to  
36 pair suicide awareness and prevention training with distribution of  
37 medication disposal kits and safe storage devices;

38 (iii) Training health care providers on suicide awareness and  
39 prevention, paired with distribution of medication disposal kits and  
40 safe storage devices; and

1 (iv) Training local law enforcement officers on suicide awareness  
2 and prevention, paired with distribution of medication disposal kits  
3 and safe storage devices.

4 (3) The task force shall ~~((consult with))~~ develop and prioritize  
5 a list of projects to carry out the task force's purposes and submit  
6 the prioritized list to the department of health ~~((to develop~~  
7 ~~timelines for the completion of the necessary tasks identified in~~  
8 ~~subsection (2) of this section so that the department of health is~~  
9 ~~able to implement the safe homes project under))~~ for funding from the  
10 suicide-safer homes project account created in section 3 of this act  
11 ~~((by January 1, 2018))~~.

12 (4) Beginning December 1, 2016, the task force shall annually  
13 report to the legislature on the status of its work. The task force  
14 shall submit a final report by December 1, 2019, that includes the  
15 findings of the suicide awareness and prevention pilot program  
16 evaluation under subsection (2) of this section and recommendations  
17 on possible continuation of the program. The task force shall submit  
18 its reports in accordance with RCW 43.01.036.

19 (5) This section expires July 1, 2020.

20 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 43.70  
21 RCW to read as follows:

22 (1) The suicide-safer homes project is created within the  
23 department of health for the purpose of accepting private funds for  
24 use by the suicide-safer homes task force created in RCW 43.70.445 in  
25 developing and providing suicide education and prevention materials,  
26 training, and outreach programs to help create suicide-safer homes.  
27 The secretary may accept gifts, grants, donations, or moneys from any  
28 source for deposit in the suicide-safer homes project account created  
29 in subsection (2) of this section.

30 (2) The suicide-safer homes project account is created in the  
31 custody of the state treasurer. The account shall consist of funds  
32 appropriated by the legislature for the suicide-safer homes project  
33 account and all receipts from gifts, grants, bequests, devises, or  
34 other funds from public and private sources to support the activities  
35 of the suicide-safer homes project. Only the secretary of the  
36 department of health, or the secretary's designee, may authorize  
37 expenditures from the account to fund projects identified and  
38 prioritized by the suicide-safer homes task force. Funds deposited in  
39 the suicide-safer homes project account may be used for the

1 development and production of suicide prevention materials and  
2 training programs, for providing financial incentives to encourage  
3 firearms dealers and others to participate in suicide prevention  
4 training, and to implement pilot programs involving community  
5 outreach on creating suicide-safer homes.

6 (3) The suicide-safer homes project account is subject to  
7 allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is  
8 not required for expenditures.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as  
10 much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal year  
11 ending June 30, 2018, from the general fund to the suicide-safer  
12 homes project account created in section 3 of this act.

13 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.70.442 and 2016 c 90 s 5 are each amended to read  
14 as follows:

15 (1)(a) Each of the following professionals certified or licensed  
16 under Title 18 RCW shall, at least once every six years, complete  
17 training in suicide assessment, treatment, and management that is  
18 approved, in rule, by the relevant disciplining authority:

- 19 (i) An adviser or counselor certified under chapter 18.19 RCW;
- 20 (ii) A chemical dependency professional licensed under chapter  
21 18.205 RCW;
- 22 (iii) A marriage and family therapist licensed under chapter  
23 18.225 RCW;
- 24 (iv) A mental health counselor licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW;
- 25 (v) An occupational therapy practitioner licensed under chapter  
26 18.59 RCW;
- 27 (vi) A psychologist licensed under chapter 18.83 RCW;
- 28 (vii) An advanced social worker or independent clinical social  
29 worker licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW; and
- 30 (viii) A social worker associate—advanced or social worker  
31 associate—independent clinical licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW.

32 (b) The requirements in (a) of this subsection apply to a person  
33 holding a retired active license for one of the professions in (a) of  
34 this subsection.

35 (c) The training required by this subsection must be at least six  
36 hours in length, unless a disciplining authority has determined,  
37 under subsection (10)(b) of this section, that training that includes  
38 only screening and referral elements is appropriate for the

1 profession in question, in which case the training must be at least  
2 three hours in length.

3 (d) Beginning July 1, 2017, the training required by this  
4 subsection must be on the model list developed under subsection (6)  
5 of this section. Nothing in this subsection (1)(d) affects the  
6 validity of training completed prior to July 1, 2017.

7 (2)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a  
8 professional listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section must  
9 complete the first training required by this section by the end of  
10 the first full continuing education reporting period after January 1,  
11 2014, or during the first full continuing education reporting period  
12 after initial licensure or certification, whichever occurs later.

13 (b) A professional listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section  
14 applying for initial licensure may delay completion of the first  
15 training required by this section for six years after initial  
16 licensure if he or she can demonstrate successful completion of the  
17 training required in subsection (1) of this section no more than six  
18 years prior to the application for initial licensure.

19 (3) The hours spent completing training in suicide assessment,  
20 treatment, and management under this section count toward meeting any  
21 applicable continuing education or continuing competency requirements  
22 for each profession.

23 (4)(a) A disciplining authority may, by rule, specify minimum  
24 training and experience that is sufficient to exempt an individual  
25 professional from the training requirements in subsections (1) and  
26 (5) of this section. Nothing in this subsection (4)(a) allows a  
27 disciplining authority to provide blanket exemptions to broad  
28 categories or specialties within a profession.

29 (b) A disciplining authority may exempt a professional from the  
30 training requirements of subsections (1) and (5) of this section if  
31 the professional has only brief or limited patient contact.

32 (5)(a) Each of the following professionals credentialed under  
33 Title 18 RCW shall complete a one-time training in suicide  
34 assessment, treatment, and management that is approved by the  
35 relevant disciplining authority:

36 (i) A chiropractor licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW;

37 (ii) A naturopath licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW;

38 (iii) A licensed practical nurse, registered nurse, or advanced  
39 registered nurse practitioner, other than a certified registered  
40 nurse anesthetist, licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW;

1 (iv) An osteopathic physician and surgeon licensed under chapter  
2 18.57 RCW, other than a holder of a postgraduate osteopathic medicine  
3 and surgery license issued under RCW 18.57.035;

4 (v) An osteopathic physician assistant licensed under chapter  
5 18.57A RCW;

6 (vi) A physical therapist or physical therapist assistant  
7 licensed under chapter 18.74 RCW;

8 (vii) A physician licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW, other than a  
9 resident holding a limited license issued under RCW 18.71.095(3);

10 (viii) A physician assistant licensed under chapter 18.71A RCW;

11 (ix) A pharmacist licensed under chapter 18.64 RCW; (~~and~~)

12 (x) A dentist licensed under chapter 18.32 RCW;

13 (xi) A dental hygienist licensed under chapter 18.29 RCW; and

14 (xii) A person holding a retired active license for one of the  
15 professions listed in (a)(i) through (~~(ix)~~) (xi) of this  
16 subsection.

17 (b)(i) A professional listed in (a)(i) through (viii) of this  
18 subsection or a person holding a retired active license for one of  
19 the professions listed in (a)(i) through (viii) of this subsection  
20 must complete the one-time training by the end of the first full  
21 continuing education reporting period after January 1, 2016, or  
22 during the first full continuing education reporting period after  
23 initial licensure, whichever is later. Training completed between  
24 June 12, 2014, and January 1, 2016, that meets the requirements of  
25 this section, other than the timing requirements of this subsection  
26 (5)(b), must be accepted by the disciplining authority as meeting the  
27 one-time training requirement of this subsection (5).

28 (ii) A licensed pharmacist or a person holding a retired active  
29 pharmacist license must complete the one-time training by the end of  
30 the first full continuing education reporting period after January 1,  
31 2017, or during the first full continuing education reporting period  
32 after initial licensure, whichever is later.

33 (iii) A licensed dentist, a licensed dental hygienist, or a  
34 person holding a retired active license as a dentist or dental  
35 hygienist shall complete the one-time training by the end of the full  
36 continuing education reporting period after the effective date of  
37 this section, or during the first full continuing education reporting  
38 period after initial licensure, whichever is later. Training  
39 completed between July 23, 2017, and the effective date of this  
40 section that meets the requirements of this section, other than the



1 timing requirements of this subsection (5)(b)(iii), must be accepted  
2 by the disciplining authority as meeting the one-time training  
3 requirement of this subsection (5).

4 (c) The training required by this subsection must be at least six  
5 hours in length, unless a disciplining authority has determined,  
6 under subsection (10)(b) of this section, that training that includes  
7 only screening and referral elements is appropriate for the  
8 profession in question, in which case the training must be at least  
9 three hours in length.

10 (d) Beginning July 1, 2017, the training required by this  
11 subsection must be on the model list developed under subsection (6)  
12 of this section. Nothing in this subsection (5)(d) affects the  
13 validity of training completed prior to July 1, 2017.

14 (6)(a) The secretary and the disciplining authorities shall work  
15 collaboratively to develop a model list of training programs in  
16 suicide assessment, treatment, and management.

17 (b) The secretary and the disciplining authorities shall update  
18 the list at least once every two years.

19 (c) By June 30, 2016, the department shall adopt rules  
20 establishing minimum standards for the training programs included on  
21 the model list. The minimum standards must require that six-hour  
22 trainings include content specific to veterans and the assessment of  
23 issues related to imminent harm via lethal means or self-injurious  
24 behaviors and that three-hour trainings for pharmacists or dentists  
25 include content related to the assessment of issues related to  
26 imminent harm via lethal means. When adopting the rules required  
27 under this subsection (6)(c), the department shall:

28 (i) Consult with the affected disciplining authorities, public  
29 and private institutions of higher education, educators, experts in  
30 suicide assessment, treatment, and management, the Washington  
31 department of veterans affairs, and affected professional  
32 associations; and

33 (ii) Consider standards related to the best practices registry of  
34 the American foundation for suicide prevention and the suicide  
35 prevention resource center.

36 (d) Beginning January 1, 2017:

37 (i) The model list must include only trainings that meet the  
38 minimum standards established in the rules adopted under (c) of this  
39 subsection and any three-hour trainings that met the requirements of  
40 this section on or before July 24, 2015;

1 (ii) The model list must include six-hour trainings in suicide  
2 assessment, treatment, and management, and three-hour trainings that  
3 include only screening and referral elements; and

4 (iii) A person or entity providing the training required in this  
5 section may petition the department for inclusion on the model list.  
6 The department shall add the training to the list only if the  
7 department determines that the training meets the minimum standards  
8 established in the rules adopted under (c) of this subsection.

9 (7) The department shall provide the health profession training  
10 standards created in this section to the professional educator  
11 standards board as a model in meeting the requirements of RCW  
12 28A.410.226 and provide technical assistance, as requested, in the  
13 review and evaluation of educator training programs. The educator  
14 training programs approved by the professional educator standards  
15 board may be included in the department's model list.

16 (8) Nothing in this section may be interpreted to expand or limit  
17 the scope of practice of any profession regulated under chapter  
18 18.130 RCW.

19 (9) The secretary and the disciplining authorities affected by  
20 this section shall adopt any rules necessary to implement this  
21 section.

22 (10) For purposes of this section:

23 (a) "Disciplining authority" has the same meaning as in RCW  
24 18.130.020.

25 (b) "Training in suicide assessment, treatment, and management"  
26 means empirically supported training approved by the appropriate  
27 disciplining authority that contains the following elements: Suicide  
28 assessment, including screening and referral, suicide treatment, and  
29 suicide management. However, the disciplining authority may approve  
30 training that includes only screening and referral elements if  
31 appropriate for the profession in question based on the profession's  
32 scope of practice. The board of occupational therapy may also approve  
33 training that includes only screening and referral elements if  
34 appropriate for occupational therapy practitioners based on practice  
35 setting.

36 (11) A state or local government employee is exempt from the  
37 requirements of this section if he or she receives a total of at  
38 least six hours of training in suicide assessment, treatment, and  
39 management from his or her employer every six years. For purposes of  
40 this subsection, the training may be provided in one six-hour block

1 or may be spread among shorter training sessions at the employer's  
2 discretion.

3 (12) An employee of a community mental health agency licensed  
4 under chapter 71.24 RCW or a chemical dependency program certified  
5 under chapter 70.96A RCW is exempt from the requirements of this  
6 section if he or she receives a total of at least six hours of  
7 training in suicide assessment, treatment, and management from his or  
8 her employer every six years. For purposes of this subsection, the  
9 training may be provided in one six-hour block or may be spread among  
10 shorter training sessions at the employer's discretion.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70  
12 RCW to read as follows:

13 (1) By July 1, 2020, the school of dentistry at the University of  
14 Washington shall develop a curriculum on suicide assessment,  
15 treatment, and management for dental students and licensed dentists.  
16 The curriculum must meet the minimum standards established under RCW  
17 43.70.442 and must include material on identifying at-risk patients  
18 and limiting access to lethal means. When developing the curriculum,  
19 the school of dentistry must consult with experts on suicide  
20 assessment, treatment, and management and with the suicide-safer  
21 homes task force established in RCW 43.70.445. The school of  
22 dentistry shall submit a progress report to the governor and the  
23 relevant committees of the legislature by July 1, 2019.

24 (2) The dental quality assurance commission shall, for purposes  
25 of RCW 43.70.442(4)(a), consider a dentist who has successfully  
26 completed the curriculum developed under subsection (1) of this  
27 section prior to licensure as possessing the minimum training and  
28 experience necessary to be exempt from the training requirements in  
29 RCW 43.70.442.

30 **Sec. 7.** RCW 9.41.113 and 2015 c 1 s 3 are each amended to read  
31 as follows:

32 (1) All firearm sales or transfers, in whole or part in this  
33 state including without limitation a sale or transfer where either  
34 the purchaser or seller or transferee or transferor is in Washington,  
35 shall be subject to background checks unless specifically exempted by  
36 state or federal law. The background check requirement applies to all  
37 sales or transfers including, but not limited to, sales and transfers

1 through a licensed dealer, at gun shows, online, and between  
2 unlicensed persons.

3 (2) No person shall sell or transfer a firearm unless:

4 (a) The person is a licensed dealer;

5 (b) The purchaser or transferee is a licensed dealer; or

6 (c) The requirements of subsection (3) of this section are met.

7 (3) Where neither party to a prospective firearms transaction is  
8 a licensed dealer, the parties to the transaction shall complete the  
9 sale or transfer through a licensed dealer as follows:

10 (a) The seller or transferor shall deliver the firearm to a  
11 licensed dealer to process the sale or transfer as if it is selling  
12 or transferring the firearm from its inventory to the purchaser or  
13 transferee, except that the unlicensed seller or transferor may  
14 remove the firearm from the business premises of the licensed dealer  
15 while the background check is being conducted. If the seller or  
16 transferor removes the firearm from the business premises of the  
17 licensed dealer while the background check is being conducted, the  
18 purchaser or transferee and the seller or transferor shall return to  
19 the business premises of the licensed dealer and the seller or  
20 transferor shall again deliver the firearm to the licensed dealer  
21 prior to completing the sale or transfer.

22 (b) Except as provided in (a) of this subsection, the licensed  
23 dealer shall comply with all requirements of federal and state law  
24 that would apply if the licensed dealer were selling or transferring  
25 the firearm from its inventory to the purchaser or transferee,  
26 including but not limited to conducting a background check on the  
27 prospective purchaser or transferee in accordance with federal and  
28 state law requirements and fulfilling all federal and state  
29 recordkeeping requirements.

30 (c) The purchaser or transferee must complete, sign, and submit  
31 all federal, state, and local forms necessary to process the required  
32 background check to the licensed dealer conducting the background  
33 check.

34 (d) If the results of the background check indicate that the  
35 purchaser or transferee is ineligible to possess a firearm, then the  
36 licensed dealer shall return the firearm to the seller or transferor.

37 (e) The licensed dealer may charge a fee that reflects the fair  
38 market value of the administrative costs and efforts incurred by the  
39 licensed dealer for facilitating the sale or transfer of the firearm.

40 (4) This section does not apply to:

1 (a) A transfer between immediate family members, which for this  
2 subsection shall be limited to spouses, domestic partners, parents,  
3 parents-in-law, children, siblings, siblings-in-law, grandparents,  
4 grandchildren, nieces, nephews, first cousins, aunts, and uncles,  
5 that is a bona fide gift or loan;

6 (b) The sale or transfer of an antique firearm;

7 (c) A temporary transfer of possession of a firearm if such  
8 transfer is necessary to prevent imminent death or great bodily harm  
9 to the person to whom the firearm is transferred if:

10 (i) The temporary transfer only lasts as long as immediately  
11 necessary to prevent such imminent death or great bodily harm; and

12 (ii) The person to whom the firearm is transferred is not  
13 prohibited from possessing firearms under state or federal law;

14 (d) A temporary transfer of possession of a firearm if: (i) The  
15 temporary transfer is intended to prevent suicide or self-inflicted  
16 great bodily harm; (ii) the temporary transfer lasts only as long as  
17 reasonably necessary to prevent death or great bodily harm; and (iii)  
18 the firearm is not utilized by the transferee for any purpose for the  
19 duration of the temporary transfer;

20 (e) Any law enforcement or corrections agency and, to the extent  
21 the person is acting within the course and scope of his or her  
22 employment or official duties, any law enforcement or corrections  
23 officer, United States marshal, member of the armed forces of the  
24 United States or the national guard, or federal official;

25 ((+e)) (f) A federally licensed gunsmith who receives a firearm  
26 solely for the purposes of service or repair, or the return of the  
27 firearm to its owner by the federally licensed gunsmith;

28 ((+f)) (g) The temporary transfer of a firearm (i) between  
29 spouses or domestic partners; (ii) if the temporary transfer occurs,  
30 and the firearm is kept at all times, at an established shooting  
31 range authorized by the governing body of the jurisdiction in which  
32 such range is located; (iii) if the temporary transfer occurs and the  
33 transferee's possession of the firearm is exclusively at a lawful  
34 organized competition involving the use of a firearm, or while  
35 participating in or practicing for a performance by an organized  
36 group that uses firearms as a part of the performance; (iv) to a  
37 person who is under eighteen years of age for lawful hunting,  
38 sporting, or educational purposes while under the direct supervision  
39 and control of a responsible adult who is not prohibited from  
40 possessing firearms; or (v) while hunting if the hunting is legal in

1 all places where the person to whom the firearm is transferred  
2 possesses the firearm and the person to whom the firearm is  
3 transferred has completed all training and holds all licenses or  
4 permits required for such hunting, provided that any temporary  
5 transfer allowed by this subsection is permitted only if the person  
6 to whom the firearm is transferred is not prohibited from possessing  
7 firearms under state or federal law; or

8 ~~((g))~~ (h) A person who (i) acquired a firearm other than a  
9 pistol by operation of law upon the death of the former owner of the  
10 firearm or (ii) acquired a pistol by operation of law upon the death  
11 of the former owner of the pistol within the preceding sixty days. At  
12 the end of the sixty-day period, the person must either have lawfully  
13 transferred the pistol or must have contacted the department of  
14 licensing to notify the department that he or she has possession of  
15 the pistol and intends to retain possession of the pistol, in  
16 compliance with all federal and state laws.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** Section 5 of this act takes effect August  
18 1, 2020.

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