
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there are compelling
2 interests in protecting the public health, safety, and welfare
3 from the serious hazards associated with firearms and gun
4 violence. Incidents of firearm-inflicted harm, including
5 violence, unintentional discharge, and self-harm are rising on a
6 yearly basis. To properly address the rising number of
7 gun-related incidents in the State, supervision of rising and
8 falling trends is vital in identifying the effectiveness of
9 existing gun laws and regulations, along with identifying areas
10 that require legislative attention.

11 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to create a
12 comprehensive annual report that compiles important information
13 on firearms, firearm-related deaths and injuries, and firearm
14 violations. This annual report will allow the State and the
15 public to better track firearm-related trends and better
16 recognize areas of risk that require remedy.



1 SECTION 2. Chapter 134, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§134- Firearms; annual report. (a) No later than
5 April 1, 2027, and April 1 of each year thereafter, the
6 department shall publish, on its public website, a report that
7 includes:

- 8 (1) The firearm permitting and licensing data required by
9 section 134-14;
- 10 (2) The firearm licenses to carry data required by section
11 134-9.6;
- 12 (3) The total number of firearm purchases for the prior
13 year, categorized by private or dealer sales, and
14 including, where available, the classification of
15 firearm sold and transferred, categorized by the make
16 and model;
- 17 (4) The total number of firearm-related deaths,
18 categorized by the cause of death, such as violence,
19 unintentional discharge, or self-harm;



- 1 (5) The number of firearm-related injuries, categorized by
2 the cause of the injury, such as violence,
3 unintentional discharge, or self-harm;
- 4 (6) The number of reported firearms that are unaccounted
5 for, categorized by whether the firearm went missing
6 in transit or was lost or stolen. For firearms that
7 were lost or stolen, the report shall include the
8 following:
 - 9 (A) The location where the firearm was stored, such
10 as within a residence, public facility, or
11 vehicle; and
 - 12 (B) The method of storage, including whether the
13 storage complied with applicable firearm storage
14 requirements;
- 15 (7) The total number of firearm storage violations issued,
16 categorized by:
 - 17 (A) Whether the item in violation was a firearm or
18 ammunition;
 - 19 (B) Whether the violation occurred in a residence or
20 vehicle;
 - 21 (C) Any resulting loss or theft of the firearm; and



- 1 (D) Any resulting violence, unintentional discharge,
- 2 or self-harm;
- 3 (8) The total number of the following firearms confiscated
- 4 by law enforcement:
- 5 (A) Ghost guns;
- 6 (B) Firearms lacking serial numbers; and
- 7 (C) Firearms that were not commercially manufactured;
- 8 (9) For firearms involved in violence, unintentional
- 9 discharge, or self-harm, the following information:
- 10 (A) Firearm classification;
- 11 (B) Make and model;
- 12 (C) Whether the firearm was legally owned by the
- 13 operator; and
- 14 (D) If not legally owned by the operator, how the
- 15 firearm was obtained and in which state the
- 16 weapon was originally purchased;
- 17 (10) For firearm operators involved in firearm-related
- 18 violence, unintentional discharge, or self-harm, the
- 19 following information:
- 20 (A) Gender;
- 21 (B) Age;



- 1 (C) Race or ethnicity;
- 2 (D) Past criminal history; and
- 3 (E) Past mental health or substance abuse issues
- 4 relevant to the incident;
- 5 (11) For victims of violence, unintentional discharge, or
- 6 self-harm involving a firearm, the following
- 7 information:
- 8 (A) Gender;
- 9 (B) Age;
- 10 (C) Race or ethnicity; and
- 11 (D) Relationship to the firearm operator;
- 12 (12) Areas most affected by firearm violence, unintentional
- 13 discharge, and self-harm;
- 14 (13) Any other information that the department deems
- 15 necessary for evaluating the effectiveness of existing
- 16 gun laws and regulations or for identifying areas that
- 17 require legislative attention; and
- 18 (14) The sources used to compile the report.
- 19 (b) No later than February 1 of each year, the chief of
- 20 police of each county, director of the department of health, and
- 21 the director of any other relevant department or agency shall



1 supply the department with data required to produce the report
2 described in subsection (a).

3 (c) For the purposes of this section, "department" means
4 the department of the attorney general."

5 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



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Report Title:

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Description:

Requires the Department of the Attorney General to publish, on the Department's public website, an annual report that compiles information on firearms, firearm-related deaths and injuries, and firearm violations. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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