

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to firearm hold agreements; creating  
 3           s. 790.253, F.S.; defining terms; providing immunity  
 4           from civil liability for federal firearms licensees  
 5           operating lawfully in this state for acts or omissions  
 6           relating to firearm hold agreements under specified  
 7           circumstances; providing an exception; providing  
 8           applicability; providing an effective date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12           **Section 1. Section 790.253, Florida Statutes, is created**  
 13 **to read:**

14           790.253 Firearm hold agreements; immunity from liability.-

15           (1) As used in this section, the term:

16           (a) "Federal firearms licensee" means a person licensed  
 17 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. chapter 44.

18           (b) "Firearm hold agreement" means a private transaction  
 19 between a federal firearms licensee and an individual firearm  
 20 owner in which the licensee either provides locked storage in  
 21 his or her facility to which only the firearm owner has access  
 22 or takes physical possession of the owner's lawfully possessed  
 23 firearm at the owner's request, holds the firearm for an agreed-  
 24 upon period of time, and returns the firearm to the owner  
 25 according to the terms of the transaction.

26        (2) A federal firearms licensee is immune from civil  
27 liability while operating lawfully in this state for any act or  
28 omission arising from a firearm hold agreement which results in  
29 the personal injury or death of any individual, including the  
30 return of any firearm to the individual firearm owner by a  
31 federal firearms licensee at the termination of a firearm hold  
32 agreement.

33        (3) The immunity from civil liability under subsection (2)  
34 does not apply to any action arising from a firearm hold  
35 agreement if such action was the result of otherwise unlawful  
36 conduct on the part of the federal firearms licensee.

37        (4) This section does not apply to a firearm transfer  
38 pursuant to s. 790.401 or if there is a known existing  
39 protection order governing the respondent under s. 741.30, s.  
40 784.046, or s. 784.0485 or under any other applicable law.

41        **Section 2.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.