

1 AN ACT relating to firearms fabricated with additive manufacturing.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 527.010 is amended to read as follows:

4 The following definitions apply in this chapter unless the context otherwise requires:

5 (1) **"Additive manufacturing" means a process of joining materials to make objects**
6 **from three-dimensional model data, often layer-upon-layer;**

7 (2) "Booby trap device" shall have the same meaning as set forth in KRS 237.030;~~[-]~~

8 (3)~~[(2)]~~ "Deface" means to remove, deface, cover, alter, or destroy the manufacturer's
9 serial number or any other distinguishing number or identification mark;~~[-]~~

10 (4)~~[(3)]~~ "Destructive device" shall have the same meaning as set forth in KRS
11 237.030;~~[-]~~

12 (5)~~[(4)]~~ "Firearm" means any weapon which will expel a projectile by the action of an
13 explosive;~~[-]~~

14 (6)~~[(5)]~~ "Handgun" means any pistol or revolver originally designed to be fired by the
15 use of a single hand, or any other firearm originally designed to be fired by the use
16 of a single hand; and~~[-]~~

17 (7) **"Major firearm component" means a firearm frame, receiver, slide, cylinder, or**
18 **barrel, whether finished or unfinished.**

19 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 527 IS CREATED TO
20 READ AS FOLLOWS:

21 (1) **A person age twenty-one (21) or older is guilty of unlawfully possessing a firearm**
22 **fabricated through additive manufacturing when he or she knowingly possesses a**
23 **firearm made by using additive manufacturing technology, or possesses a firearm**
24 **with any major firearm component made through additive manufacturing, unless**
25 **the firearm:**

26 (a) **Contains at least three and seven-tenths (3.7) ounces of material type 17-4**
27 **PH stainless steel permanently embedded within the firearm; and**

1 **(b) Has a unique serial number engraved into or permanently attached to the**
2 **firearm or any major firearm component that was either:**

3 **1. Issued after applying to the Department of Kentucky State Police,**
4 **pursuant to Section 3 of this Act; or**

5 **2. Engraved or cast by a federally licensed importer or manufacturer**
6 **under 18 U.S.C. sec. 923(i).**

7 **(2) A person under the age of twenty-one (21) is guilty of unlawfully possessing a**
8 **firearm fabricated through additive manufacturing when he or she knowingly**
9 **possesses any firearm fabricated through additive manufacturing, or possesses a**
10 **firearm with any major firearm component made through additive**
11 **manufacturing.**

12 **(3) Unlawfully possessing a firearm fabricated through additive manufacturing is a**
13 **Class D felony.**

14 ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 237 IS CREATED TO
15 READ AS FOLLOWS:

16 **(1) The Department of Kentucky State Police shall:**

17 **(a) Issue a unique serial number to persons eligible to possess firearms under**
18 **18 U.S.C. sec. 922(g) and (n) who apply to lawfully possess a firearm**
19 **fabricated using additive manufacturing in accordance with Section 2 of**
20 **this Act;**

21 **(b) Confirm the eligibility of applicants through a background check which**
22 **includes a National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS)**
23 **check;**

24 **(c) Charge a thirty dollar (\$30) fee for performing the requirements of this**
25 **section;**

26 **(d) Create a registry of persons who have been issued serial numbers under this**
27 **section; and**

1 (e) Promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter
2 13A to implement the requirements of this section.

3 (2) If an applicant is determined to be ineligible to possess a firearm under
4 subsection (1) of this section, the department shall inform the applicant of the
5 reasons for the denial in writing. The applicant may petition the commissioner of
6 the Department of Kentucky State Police to hold a hearing on the denial of a
7 serial number in accordance with KRS Chapter 13B.

8 ➔Section 4. The restrictions of KRS 6.945(1) shall not apply to Sections 1, 2, and
9 3 of this Act.