

Amendment No. 1 to HB1171

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1142*

House Bill No. 1171

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) This section and Section 2 are known and may be cited as the "Firearms Information Privacy Protection Act."

(b) If a person intentionally discloses information that identifies another person as the purchaser or owner of a firearm, firearm ammunition, or firearm accessory for purposes of compiling or facilitating the compilation of a federal firearms registry or database or the confiscation of firearms, then the person disclosing the information is subject to a private right of action by the person whose information was disclosed.

(c) A court may award the person whose information was disclosed and prevails in an action under this section:

(1) A minimum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) in statutory damages per intentional violation of subsection (a);

(2) Actual damages;

(3) Punitive damages;

(4) Other forms of equitable relief; and

(5) Reasonable costs and attorney fees.

(d) This section does not apply to information that is provided to a government entity pursuant to § 38-8-116, § 38-8-123, § 39-17-1315, § 39-17-1316, § 39-17-1351, § 39-17-1365, or § 39-17-1366, federal law, or as part of a criminal investigation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) It is an offense for any personnel, including elected and appointed officials, of this state, a local governmental entity, or a political subdivision of this state to intentionally disclose information that identifies another person as the purchaser or owner of a firearm, firearm ammunition, or firearm accessory for the purpose of:

(1) Compiling or facilitating the compilation of a federal firearms registry or database; or

(2) The confiscation of firearms.

(b) This section does not apply to information that is provided to a government entity pursuant to § 38-8-116, § 38-8-123, § 39-17-1315, § 39-17-1316, § 39-17-1351, § 39-17-1365, or § 39-17-1366, or as part of a criminal investigation.

(c) A violation of this section is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.