
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5954

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Rolfes)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the bump-fire stock buy-back program; amending
2 RCW 43.43.920; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.43.920 and 2018 c 7 s 10 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The Washington state patrol shall establish and administer a
7 bump-fire stock buy-back program to allow a person in possession of a
8 bump-fire stock to relinquish the device to the Washington state
9 patrol (~~(or a participating local law enforcement agency)~~) in
10 exchange for a monetary payment established under this section. The
11 Washington state patrol shall adopt rules to implement the bump-fire
12 stock buy-back program according to the following standards:

13 (a) The buy-back program must be implemented between July 1,
14 2018, and June 30, 2019, at locations in regions throughout the
15 state.

16 (b) The buy-back program must allow (~~(an individual)~~) a
17 Washington resident to relinquish (~~(a)~~) up to five bump-fire stocks
18 (~~(to the Washington state patrol or a local law enforcement agency~~
19 ~~participating in the program)~~) as provided in subsection (2) of this
20 section in exchange for a monetary payment of one hundred fifty

1 dollars. ((The Washington state patrol shall coordinate with local
2 law enforcement agencies in implementing the program.))

3 (c) The Washington state patrol shall establish the method for
4 providing the monetary ((payment and reimbursing a participating law
5 enforcement agency for)) payments made to individuals under the buy-
6 back program.

7 (d) The buy-back program is subject to the availability of funds
8 appropriated for this specific purpose. This section does not create
9 a right or entitlement in a person to receive a monetary payment
10 under the buy-back program. The program must be operated on a first-
11 come, first-served basis and no payments may be made that would
12 require the Washington state patrol to exceed the amount appropriated
13 in section 2 of this act.

14 (e) The Washington state patrol ((and participating law
15 enforcement agencies)) shall establish guidelines for the destruction
16 or other disposition of bump-fire stocks relinquished under this
17 section.

18 (2) A Washington resident may obtain payment for relinquishing up
19 to five bump-fire stocks by taking one of the following actions:

20 (a) By relinquishing an operable or inoperable bump-fire stock to
21 the Washington state patrol before the effective date of any federal
22 law or rule that prohibits possession of bump-fire stocks or June 30,
23 2019, whichever is earlier; or

24 (b) No later than June 30, 2019, by providing the Washington
25 state patrol with a receipt or statement from the federal bureau of
26 alcohol, tobacco, firearms, and explosives that a bump-fire stock was
27 relinquished to the agency before the effective date of any federal
28 law or rule that prohibits possession of bump-fire stocks.

29 (3) This section expires January 1, 2020.

30 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The sum of one hundred fifty thousand
31 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for
32 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, from the general fund to the
33 Washington state patrol for the purposes of this act.

34 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate
35 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of

1 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
2 effect immediately.

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