

SENATE BILL 585

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By: **Senators Gladden, Jones, and McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2008

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Regulated Firearms – Reporting Lost or Stolen**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain persons who sell or transfer regulated firearms
4 to notify certain purchasers or recipients at the time of purchase or transfer
5 that the purchaser or recipient is required to report a lost or stolen regulated
6 firearm to a certain law enforcement agency; requiring the owner of a regulated
7 firearm to report the loss or theft of the regulated firearm to a certain law
8 enforcement agency within a certain period of time after the owner discovers
9 the loss or theft; requiring a law enforcement agency on receipt of a report of a
10 lost or stolen regulated firearm to enter certain information into a certain
11 database; establishing certain penalties; and generally relating to reports of lost
12 or stolen firearms.

13 BY adding to
14 Article – Public Safety
15 Section 5–144
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2003 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Public Safety**

21 **5–144.**

22 (A) A DEALER OR OTHER PERSON WHO SELLS OR TRANSFERS A
23 REGULATED FIREARM SHALL NOTIFY THE PURCHASER OR RECIPIENT OF THE
24 REGULATED FIREARM AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE OR TRANSFER THAT THE
25 PURCHASER OR RECIPIENT IS REQUIRED TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 REGULATED FIREARM TO THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AS
2 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

3 (B) IF A REGULATED FIREARM IS LOST OR STOLEN, THE OWNER OF THE
4 REGULATED FIREARM SHALL REPORT THE LOSS OR THEFT TO THE LOCAL LAW
5 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WITHIN 72 HOURS AFTER THE OWNER FIRST
6 DISCOVERS THE LOSS OR THEFT.

7 (C) ON RECEIPT OF A REPORT OF A LOST OR STOLEN REGULATED
8 FIREARM, A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL ENTER, TO THE EXTENT
9 KNOWN, THE CALIBER, MAKE, MODEL, MANUFACTURER, AND SERIAL NUMBER
10 OF THE FIREARM AND ANY OTHER DISTINGUISHING NUMBER OR
11 IDENTIFICATION MARK ON THE FIREARM INTO THE NATIONAL CRIME
12 INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) DATABASE.

13 (D) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (A) OR (B) OF THIS SECTION
14 IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO
15 IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 90 DAYS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$750 OR
16 BOTH.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
18 October 1, 2008.