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S. 466

To reduce gun trafficking by prohibiting bulk purchases of handguns.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 18, 1997

Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. TORRICELLI) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Anti-Gun Trafficking
5 Act of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST MULTIPLE HANDGUN SALES**
7 **OR PURCHASES.**

8 (a) PROHIBITION.—Section 922 of title 18, United
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
10 ing:

1 “(y) PROHIBITION AGAINST MULTIPLE HANDGUN
2 SALES OR PURCHASES.—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for any
4 licensed dealer—

5 “(A) during any 30-day period, to sell 2 or
6 more handguns to an individual who is not li-
7 censed under section 923; or

8 “(B) to sell a handgun to an individual
9 who is not licensed under section 923 and who
10 purchased a handgun during the 30-day period
11 ending on the date of the sale.

12 “(2) TIME LIMITATION.—It shall be unlawful
13 for any individual who is not licensed under section
14 923 to purchase 2 or more handguns during any 30-
15 day period.

16 “(3) EXCHANGES.—Paragraph (1) does not
17 apply to an exchange of 1 handgun for 1 handgun.”.

18 (b) PENALTIES.—Section 924(a)(2) of title 18, Unit-
19 ed States Code, is amended by striking “or (o)” and in-
20 serting “(o), or (y)”.

21 **SEC. 3. INCREASED PENALTIES FOR MAKING KNOWINGLY**
22 **FALSE STATEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH**
23 **FIREARMS.**

24 Section 924(a)(3) of title 18, United States Code, is
25 amended by striking “one year” and inserting “5 years”.

1 **SEC. 4. DEADLINES FOR DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS RE-**
 2 **LATED TO CERTAIN FIREARMS TRANSFERS.**

3 (a) HANDGUN TRANSFERS SUBJECT TO THE WAIT-
 4 ING PERIOD.—Section 922(s)(6)(B)(i) of title 18, United
 5 States Code, is amended by striking “20 business days”
 6 and inserting “35 calendar days”.

7 (b) FIREARMS TRANSFERS SUBJECT TO INSTANT
 8 CHECK.—Section 922(t)(2)(C) of title 18, United States
 9 Code, is amended by inserting “not later than 35 calendar
 10 days after the date the system provides the licensee with
 11 the number,” after “[C]”.

12 **SEC. 5. REVISED DEFINITION.**

13 Section 921(a)(21)(C) of title 18, United States
 14 Code, is amended by inserting “, except that such term
 15 shall include any person who transfers more than 1 hand-
 16 gun in any 30-day period to a person who is not a licensed
 17 dealer” before the semicolon.

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