H. R. 2729

To amend title 10, United States Code, to restrict the sale or other transfer of small arms armor piercing ammunition and components of such ammunition disposed of by the Army.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Blagojevich introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 "Military Armor Pierc-
- 5 ing Ammunition Resale Limitation Act of 1999".

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1	SEC.	2.	LIMITATION	\mathbf{ON}	RESALE	\mathbf{OR}	TRANSFER	\mathbf{OF}	ARMOR

- 2 PIERCING AMMUNITION DISPOSED OF BY
- THE ARMY.
- 4 (a) Restriction.—(1) Chapter 443 of title 10,
- 5 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
- 6 following new section:

7 "§ 4688. Armor piercing ammunition and components:

- 8 condition on disposal
- 9 "(a) Limitation on Resale or Other Trans-
- 10 FER.—Whenever the Secretary of the Army carries out a
- 11 disposal (by sale or otherwise) of small arms armor pierc-
- 12 ing ammunition, or a component of small arms armor
- 13 piercing ammunition, the Secretary shall require as a con-
- 14 dition of the disposal that the recipient agree in writing
- 15 not to sell or otherwise transfer any of that ammunition
- 16 (reconditioned or otherwise), or any component of that
- 17 ammunition, to any purchaser in the United States other
- 18 than a governmental or law enforcement agency.
- 19 "(b) Exception.—Subsection (a) does not apply to
- 20 a transfer of a component of small arms armor piercing
- 21 ammunition solely for the purpose of metal reclamation
- 22 using a destructive process such as melting, crushing, or
- 23 shredding.
- 24 "(c) Small Arms Armor Piercing Ammunition
- 25 Defined.—In this section, the term 'small arms armor
- 26 piercing ammunition' means ammunition that is .50 cal-

- 1 iber and under and that has a center-fire cartridge and
- 2 a United States military nomenclature designation of
- 3 'armor penetrator', 'armor piercing (AP)', 'armor piercing
- 4 incendiary (API)', or 'armor-piercing incendiary-tracer
- 5 (API-T)' ".
- 6 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such
- 7 chapter is amended by adding at the end the following
- 8 new item:

"4688. Armor piercing ammunition and components: condition on disposal.".

- 9 (b) Applicability.—Section 4688 of title 10, United
- 10 States Code (as added by subsection (a)), shall apply with
- 11 respect to any disposal of ammunition or components re-
- 12 ferred to in that section after the date of the enactment
- 13 of this Act.

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