FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1239

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MERIDETH.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 571, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to firearm sales.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 571, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 571.700 and 571.702, to read as follows:

571.700. 1. Prior to any firearm sale in this state, a licensed firearm dealer shall provide the prospective purchaser with a booklet of information, to be produced by the department of health and senior services. Such booklet shall include information to help the prospective purchaser reasonably consider whether or not to purchase a firearm. This information shall include information regarding:

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(1) The immediate and long-term medical risks associated with owning a firearm;

7 (2) The immediate and long-term medical risks associated with being shot by a 8 firearm;

9 (3) Risk factors, including any physical, psychological, or situational factors, that 10 may arise from a firearm purchase;

(4) Firearm-associated death rates including, but not limited to, suicide, murder,
manslaughter, and accidental homicide;

(5) The immediate and long-term medical risks associated with firearms generally,
along with medical descriptions and photographs of fatal firearm injuries, as collected by
emergency pediatric medical professionals, law enforcement officials, and prosecutor's

16 offices; and

17 (6) Alternatives to purchasing a firearm, including materials about peaceful and 18 nonviolent conflict resolution.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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19 2. Prior to any firearm sale in this state, a licensed firearm dealer shall provide the 20 prospective purchaser with the name and license number of the firearm dealer and a 21 statement that the dealer is available to answer any questions concerning the purchase of 22 a firearm, along with a telephone number where the dealer may be reached.

23 3. Prior to any firearm sale in this state, there is hereby imposed a seventy-twohour waiting period after an initial request has been made by a prospective purchaser to 24 make a firearm purchase. After an initial request has been made, a prospective purchaser 25 26 shall complete a firearm training course within twenty-four hours. The firearm training 27 course building or shooting range shall comply with all minimum standards provided 28 under sections 197.200 to 197.240.

29 4. If a firearm purchase has not been finalized within ninety-six hours of the initial 30 firearm purchase request, such purchase request shall expire, and a prospective purchaser 31 shall be required to revisit a licensed firearm dealer and make a new firearm purchase 32 request in order to proceed with a prospective firearm purchase.

33 5. Prior to any firearm purchase in this state, a firearm purchaser shall attain a 34 signed affidavit by a licensed physician stating that the purchaser is fully aware of all 35 physical, psychological, and situational factors of such purchase.

36 6. No firearm purchase shall be allowed in this state without the voluntary, 37 informed consent of the purchaser. Such consent shall be freely given under circumstances 38 that lack any form of coercion.

39 7. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no firearm sale in this 40 state shall be permitted where the purchaser intends to immediately transport such firearm 41 outside of the boundaries of this state.

42 8. Prior to any firearm purchase in this state, a firearm purchaser shall attain 43 consent from at least one other member of such purchaser's household, if the purchaser's 44 household has other members. The purchaser shall also provide the firearm dealer with 45 an affidavit stating that the purchaser has informed, in writing, every member of the purchaser's household. 46

47 9. Prior to any firearm sale in this state, a purchaser shall be required to view a thirty-minute video on fatal firearm injuries. Such video shall include testimony from 48 49 medical professionals, law enforcement officials, and local prosecutors, and shall be 50 approved by the department of public safety. The purchaser shall verify, to the 51 department of public safety, that he or she has viewed the entire video in the presence of 52 a licensed firearm dealer.

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53 10. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a firearm purchaser and 54 the dealer from whom a firearm was purchased shall both be liable for any offense 55 committed with a firearm that was purchased from such dealer.

571.702. Any entity that sells firearms, ammunition, or accessories, or any entity that instructs or trains individuals in the use of firearms, shall be disqualified from receiving state funds and shall be ineligible for any state-administered or subsidized tax credit, tax abatement, or loan under chapter 32, 100, 135, 253, 447, or 620. Any entity that is found to be ineligible for a state-administered or subsidized tax credit, tax abatement, or loan under this section may make an appeal with the administrative hearing commission under the provisions of chapter 621.

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