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Introduction and first reading
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OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; making changes to the regulation of transfers of pistols
1.3 and semiautomatic military-style assault weapons to include ammunition; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 624.7131, subdivisions 4, 7, 8, 10, by adding a
1.5 subdivision; 624.7132, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, by adding a
1.6 subdivision; 624.7134, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7; Minnesota Statutes 2025
1.7 Supplement, sections 624.7131, subdivision 1; 624.7132, subdivision 1.

1.8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 624.7131, subdivision 1, is
1.10 amended to read:

1.11 Subdivision 1. **Information.** Any person may apply for a transferee permit by providing
1.12 the following information in writing to the chief of police of an organized full time police
1.13 department of the municipality in which the person resides or to the county sheriff if there
1.14 is no such local chief of police:

1.15 (1) the name, residence, telephone number, and driver's license number or
1.16 nonqualification certificate number, if any, of the proposed transferee;

1.17 (2) the sex, date of birth, height, weight, and color of eyes, and distinguishing physical
1.18 characteristics, if any, of the proposed transferee;

1.19 (3) a statement that the proposed transferee authorizes the release to the local police
1.20 authority of commitment information about the proposed transferee maintained by the Direct
1.21 Care and Treatment executive board, to the extent that the information relates to the proposed
1.22 transferee's eligibility to possess a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
1.23 firearm-related item under section 624.713, subdivision 1; and

2.1 (4) a statement by the proposed transferee that the proposed transferee is not prohibited
2.2 by section 624.713 from possessing a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
2.3 firearm-related item.

2.4 The statements shall be signed and dated by the person applying for a permit. At the
2.5 time of application, the local police authority shall provide the applicant with a dated receipt
2.6 for the application. The statement under clause (3) must comply with any applicable
2.7 requirements of Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, sections 2.31 to 2.35, with respect
2.8 to consent to disclosure of alcohol or drug abuse patient records.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
2.10 committed on or after that date.

2.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7131, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

2.12 Subd. 4. **Grounds for disqualification.** (a) The chief of police or sheriff shall refuse to
2.13 grant a transferee permit if the applicant is: (1) prohibited by state or federal law from
2.14 possessing a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item; (2)
2.15 determined to be a danger to self or the public when in possession of ~~firearms~~ a
2.16 firearm-related item under paragraph (b); or (3) listed in the criminal gang investigative
2.17 data system under section 299C.091.

2.18 (b) A chief of police or sheriff shall refuse to grant a permit to a person if there exists a
2.19 substantial likelihood that the applicant is a danger to self or the public when in possession
2.20 of a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item. To deny the application pursuant to paragraph (a), clause
2.21 (2), the chief of police or sheriff must provide the applicant with written notification and
2.22 the specific factual basis justifying the denial, including the source of the factual basis. The
2.23 chief of police or sheriff must inform the applicant of the applicant's right to submit, within
2.24 20 business days, any additional documentation relating to the propriety of the denial. Upon
2.25 receiving any additional documentation, the chief of police or sheriff must reconsider the
2.26 denial and inform the applicant within 15 business days of the result of the reconsideration.
2.27 Any denial after reconsideration must be in the same form and substance as the original
2.28 denial and must specifically address any continued deficiencies in light of the additional
2.29 documentation submitted by the applicant. The applicant must be informed of the right to
2.30 seek de novo review of the denial as provided in subdivision 8.

2.31 (c) A person is not eligible to submit a permit application under this section if the person
2.32 has had an application denied pursuant to paragraph (b) and less than six months have
2.33 elapsed since the denial was issued or the person's appeal under subdivision 8 was denied,
2.34 whichever is later.

3.1 (d) A chief of police or sheriff who denies a permit application pursuant to paragraph
 3.2 (b) must provide a copy of the notice of disqualification to the chief of police or sheriff with
 3.3 joint jurisdiction over the proposed transferee's residence.

3.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 3.5 committed on or after that date.

3.6 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7131, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

3.7 Subd. 7. **Permit voided; revocation.** (a) The transferee permit shall be void at the time
 3.8 that the holder becomes prohibited from possessing or receiving a ~~pistol~~ firearm-related
 3.9 item under section 624.713, in which event the holder shall return the permit within five
 3.10 days to the issuing authority. If the chief law enforcement officer who issued the permit has
 3.11 knowledge that the permit holder is ineligible to possess ~~firearms~~ firearm-related items, the
 3.12 chief law enforcement officer must revoke the permit and give notice to the holder in writing.
 3.13 Failure of the holder to return the permit within the five days of learning that the permit is
 3.14 void or revoked is a gross misdemeanor unless the court finds that the circumstances or the
 3.15 physical or mental condition of the permit holder prevented the holder from complying with
 3.16 the return requirement.

3.17 (b) When a permit holder receives a court disposition that prohibits the permit holder
 3.18 from possessing a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item, the court must take possession of the permit,
 3.19 if it is available, and send it to the issuing law enforcement agency. If the permit holder
 3.20 does not have the permit when the court imposes a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item prohibition,
 3.21 the permit holder must surrender the permit to the assigned probation officer, if applicable.
 3.22 When a probation officer is assigned upon disposition of the case, the court shall inform
 3.23 the probation agent of the permit holder's obligation to surrender the permit. Upon surrender,
 3.24 the probation officer must send the permit to the issuing law enforcement agency. If a
 3.25 probation officer is not assigned to the permit holder, the holder shall surrender the permit
 3.26 as provided for in paragraph (a).

3.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 3.28 committed on or after that date.

3.29 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7131, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

3.30 Subd. 8. **Hearing upon denial.** (a) Any person aggrieved by denial of a transferee permit
 3.31 may appeal by petition to the district court having jurisdiction over the county or municipality
 3.32 where the application was submitted. The petition must list the applicable chief of police
 3.33 or sheriff as the respondent. The district court must hold a hearing at the earliest practicable

4.1 date and in any event no later than 60 days following the filing of the petition for review.

4.2 The court may not grant or deny any relief before the completion of the hearing. The record
4.3 of the hearing must be sealed. The matter must be heard de novo without a jury.

4.4 (b) The court must issue written findings of fact and conclusions of law regarding the
4.5 issues submitted by the parties. The court must issue its writ of mandamus directing that
4.6 the permit be issued and order other appropriate relief unless the chief of police or sheriff
4.7 establishes by clear and convincing evidence that:

4.8 (1) the applicant is disqualified from possessing a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item under
4.9 state or federal law;

4.10 (2) there exists a substantial likelihood that the applicant is a danger to self or the public
4.11 when in possession of a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item. Incidents of alleged criminal misconduct
4.12 that are not investigated and documented may not be considered; or

4.13 (3) the applicant is listed in the criminal gang investigative data system under section
4.14 299C.091.

4.15 (c) If an application is denied because the proposed transferee is listed in the criminal
4.16 gang investigative data system under section 299C.091, the applicant may challenge the
4.17 denial, after disclosure under court supervision of the reason for that listing, based on grounds
4.18 that the person:

4.19 (1) was erroneously identified as a person in the data system;

4.20 (2) was improperly included in the data system according to the criteria outlined in
4.21 section 299C.091, subdivision 2, paragraph (b); or

4.22 (3) has demonstrably withdrawn from the activities and associations that led to inclusion
4.23 in the data system.

4.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
4.25 committed on or after that date.

4.26 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7131, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

4.27 Subd. 10. **Transfer report not required.** A person who transfers a ~~pistol or~~
4.28 ~~semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item to a person exhibiting a
4.29 valid transferee permit issued pursuant to this section or a valid permit to carry issued
4.30 pursuant to section 624.714 is not required to file a transfer report pursuant to section
4.31 624.7132, subdivision 1.

5.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
5.2 committed on or after that date.

5.3 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7131, is amended by adding a subdivision
5.4 to read:

5.5 Subd. 13. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "firearm-related item" has the meaning
5.6 given in section 624.7134, subdivision 1.

5.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
5.8 committed on or after that date.

5.9 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 624.7132, subdivision 1, is amended
5.10 to read:

5.11 Subdivision 1. **Required information.** Except as provided in this section and section
5.12 624.7131, every person who agrees to transfer a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style~~
5.13 ~~assault weapon~~ firearm-related item shall report the following information in writing to the
5.14 chief of police of the organized full-time police department of the municipality where the
5.15 proposed transferee resides or to the appropriate county sheriff if there is no such local chief
5.16 of police:

5.17 (1) the name, residence, telephone number, and driver's license number or
5.18 nonqualification certificate number, if any, of the proposed transferee;

5.19 (2) the sex, date of birth, height, weight, and color of eyes, and distinguishing physical
5.20 characteristics, if any, of the proposed transferee;

5.21 (3) a statement that the proposed transferee authorizes the release to the local police
5.22 authority of commitment information about the proposed transferee maintained by the Direct
5.23 Care and Treatment executive board, to the extent that the information relates to the proposed
5.24 transferee's eligibility to possess a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
5.25 firearm-related item under section 624.713, subdivision 1;

5.26 (4) a statement by the proposed transferee that the transferee is not prohibited by section
5.27 624.713 from possessing a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
5.28 firearm-related item; and

5.29 (5) the address of the place of business of the transferor.

5.30 The report shall be signed and dated by the transferor and the proposed transferee. The
5.31 report shall be delivered by the transferor to the chief of police or sheriff no later than three

6.1 days after the date of the agreement to transfer, excluding weekends and legal holidays.
6.2 The statement under clause (3) must comply with any applicable requirements of Code of
6.3 Federal Regulations, title 42, sections 2.31 to 2.35, with respect to consent to disclosure of
6.4 alcohol or drug abuse patient records.

6.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
6.6 committed on or after that date.

6.7 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

6.8 Subd. 3. **Notification.** The chief of police or sheriff shall notify the transferor and
6.9 proposed transferee in writing as soon as possible if the chief or sheriff determines that the
6.10 proposed transferee is prohibited by section 624.713 from possessing a ~~pistol or~~
6.11 ~~semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item. The notification to the
6.12 transferee shall specify the grounds for the disqualification of the proposed transferee and
6.13 shall set forth in detail the transferee's right of appeal under subdivision 13.

6.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
6.15 committed on or after that date.

6.16 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

6.17 Subd. 4. **Delivery.** Except as otherwise provided in subdivision 7 or 8, no person shall
6.18 deliver a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item to a
6.19 proposed transferee until 30 days after the date the agreement to transfer is delivered to a
6.20 chief of police or sheriff in accordance with subdivision 1 unless the chief of police or sheriff
6.21 waives all or a portion of the waiting period. The chief of police or sheriff may waive all
6.22 or a portion of the waiting period in writing if the chief of police or sheriff: (1) determines
6.23 the proposed transferee is not disqualified prior to the waiting period concluding; or (2)
6.24 finds that the transferee requires access to a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault~~
6.25 ~~weapon~~ firearm-related item because of a threat to the life of the transferee or of any member
6.26 of the household of the transferee. Prior to modifying the waiting period under the authority
6.27 granted in clause (2), the chief of police or sheriff must first determine that the proposed
6.28 transferee is not prohibited from possessing a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item under state or
6.29 federal law.

6.30 No person shall deliver a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
6.31 firearm-related item to a proposed transferee after receiving a written notification that the
6.32 chief of police or sheriff has determined that the proposed transferee is prohibited by section

7.1 624.713 from possessing a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ the
7.2 firearm-related item.

7.3 If the transferor makes a report of transfer and receives no written notification of
7.4 disqualification of the proposed transferee within 30 business days after delivery of the
7.5 agreement to transfer, the ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
7.6 firearm-related item may be delivered to the transferee, unless the transferor knows the
7.7 transferee is ineligible to possess a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
7.8 the firearm-related item.

7.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
7.10 committed on or after that date.

7.11 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

7.12 Subd. 5. **Grounds for disqualification.** (a) The chief of police or sheriff shall deny an
7.13 application if the proposed transferee is: (1) prohibited by state or federal law from possessing
7.14 a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item; (2) determined
7.15 to be a danger to self or the public when in possession of ~~firearms~~ the firearm-related item
7.16 under paragraph (b); or (3) listed in the criminal gang investigative data system under section
7.17 299C.091.

7.18 (b) A chief of police or sheriff shall deny an application if there exists a substantial
7.19 likelihood that the proposed transferee is a danger to self or the public when in possession
7.20 of a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item. To deny the application under this paragraph, the chief
7.21 of police or sheriff must provide the applicant with written notification and the specific
7.22 factual basis justifying the denial, including the source of the factual basis. The chief of
7.23 police or sheriff must inform the applicant of the applicant's right to submit, within 20
7.24 business days, any additional documentation relating to the propriety of the denial. Upon
7.25 receiving any additional documentation, the chief of police or sheriff must reconsider the
7.26 denial and inform the applicant within 15 business days of the result of the reconsideration.
7.27 Any denial after reconsideration must be in the same form and substance as the original
7.28 denial and must specifically address any continued deficiencies in light of the additional
7.29 documentation submitted by the applicant. The applicant must be informed of the right to
7.30 seek de novo review of the denial as provided in subdivision 13.

7.31 (c) A chief of police or sheriff need not process an application under this section if the
7.32 person has had an application denied pursuant to paragraph (b) and less than six months
7.33 have elapsed since the denial was issued or the person's appeal under subdivision 13 was
7.34 denied, whichever is later.

8.1 (d) A chief of police or sheriff who denies an application pursuant to paragraph (b) must
8.2 provide a copy of the notice of disqualification to the chief of police or sheriff with joint
8.3 jurisdiction over the applicant's residence.

8.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
8.5 committed on or after that date.

8.6 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

8.7 Subd. 9. **Number of pistols or semiautomatic military-style assault weapons; amount**
8.8 **of ammunition.** Any number of pistols or semiautomatic military-style assault weapons or
8.9 amount of ammunition may be the subject of a single transfer agreement and report to the
8.10 chief of police or sheriff. Nothing in this section or section 624.7131 shall be construed to
8.11 limit or restrict the number of pistols or semiautomatic military-style assault weapons or
8.12 amount of ammunition a person may acquire.

8.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
8.14 committed on or after that date.

8.15 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

8.16 Subd. 10. **Restriction on records.** Except as provided for in section 624.7134, subdivision
8.17 3, paragraph (e), if, after a determination that the transferee is not a person prohibited by
8.18 section 624.713 from possessing a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
8.19 firearm-related item, a transferee requests that no record be maintained of the fact of who
8.20 is the transferee of a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ the firearm-related
8.21 item, the chief of police or sheriff shall sign the transfer report and return it to the transferee
8.22 as soon as possible. Thereafter, no government employee or agency shall maintain a record
8.23 of the transfer that identifies the transferee, and the transferee shall retain the report of
8.24 transfer.

8.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
8.26 committed on or after that date.

8.27 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

8.28 Subd. 12. **Exclusions.** Except as otherwise provided in section 609.66, subdivision 1f,
8.29 this section shall not apply to transfers of antique firearms or ammunition as curiosities or
8.30 for their historical significance or value, transfers to or between federally licensed firearms
8.31 dealers, transfers by order of court, involuntary transfers, transfers at death or the following
8.32 transfers:

- 9.1 (1) a transfer by a person other than a federally licensed firearms dealer;
- 9.2 (2) a loan to a prospective transferee if the loan is intended for a period of no more than
9.3 one day;
- 9.4 (3) the delivery of a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related
9.5 item to a person for the purpose of repair, reconditioning or remodeling;
- 9.6 (4) a loan by a teacher to a student in a course designed to teach marksmanship or safety
9.7 with a pistol and approved by the commissioner of natural resources;
- 9.8 (5) a loan between persons at a firearms collectors exhibition;
- 9.9 (6) a loan between persons lawfully engaged in hunting or target shooting if the loan is
9.10 intended for a period of no more than 12 hours;
- 9.11 (7) a loan between law enforcement officers who have the power to make arrests other
9.12 than citizen arrests; and
- 9.13 (8) a loan between employees or between the employer and an employee in a business
9.14 if the employee is required to carry a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon
9.15 by reason of employment and is the holder of a valid permit to carry a pistol.

9.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
9.17 committed on or after that date.

9.18 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

9.19 Subd. 13. **Appeal.** (a) A person aggrieved by the determination of a chief of police or
9.20 sheriff under subdivision 5 may appeal by petition to the district court having jurisdiction
9.21 over the county or municipality where the application was submitted. The petition must list
9.22 the applicable chief of police or sheriff as the respondent. The district court must hold a
9.23 hearing at the earliest practicable date and in any event no later than 60 days following the
9.24 filing of the petition for review. The court may not grant or deny any relief before the
9.25 completion of the hearing. The record of the hearing must be sealed. The matter must be
9.26 heard de novo without a jury.

9.27 (b) The court must issue written findings of fact and conclusions of law regarding the
9.28 issues submitted by the parties. The court must issue its writ of mandamus directing that
9.29 the permit be issued and order other appropriate relief unless the chief of police or sheriff
9.30 establishes by clear and convincing evidence that:

- 9.31 (1) the applicant is disqualified under state or federal law from possession of ~~firearms~~
9.32 firearm-related items;

10.1 (2) there exists a substantial likelihood that the applicant is a danger to self or the public
 10.2 when in possession of a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item. Incidents of alleged criminal misconduct
 10.3 that are not investigated and documented may not be considered; or

10.4 (3) the applicant is listed in the criminal gang investigative data system under section
 10.5 299C.091.

10.6 (c) If an application is denied because the proposed transferee is listed in the criminal
 10.7 gang investigative data system under section 299C.091, the proposed transferee may
 10.8 challenge the denial, after disclosure under court supervision of the reason for that listing,
 10.9 based on grounds that the person:

10.10 (1) was erroneously identified as a person in the data system;

10.11 (2) was improperly included in the data system according to the criteria outlined in
 10.12 section 299C.091, subdivision 2, paragraph (b); or

10.13 (3) has demonstrably withdrawn from the activities and associations that led to inclusion
 10.14 in the data system.

10.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 10.16 committed on or after that date.

10.17 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

10.18 Subd. 15. **Penalties.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), a person who
 10.19 does any of the following is guilty of a gross misdemeanor:

10.20 (1) transfers a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item
 10.21 in violation of subdivisions 1 to 13;

10.22 (2) transfers a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item
 10.23 to a person who has made a false statement in order to become a transferee, if the transferor
 10.24 knows or has reason to know the transferee has made the false statement;

10.25 (3) knowingly becomes a transferee in violation of subdivisions 1 to 13; or

10.26 (4) makes a false statement in order to become a transferee of a ~~pistol or semiautomatic~~
 10.27 ~~military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item knowing or having reason to know the
 10.28 statement is false.

10.29 (b) A person who does either of the following is guilty of a felony:

10.30 (1) transfers a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item
 10.31 to a person under the age of 18 in violation of subdivisions 1 to 13; or

11.1 (2) transfers a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item
 11.2 to a person under the age of 18 who has made a false statement in order to become a
 11.3 transferee, if the transferor knows or has reason to know the transferee has made the false
 11.4 statement.

11.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 11.6 committed on or after that date.

11.7 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

11.8 Subd. 16. **Local regulation.** This section shall be construed to supersede municipal or
 11.9 county regulation of the transfer of ~~pistols~~ firearm-related items.

11.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 11.11 committed on or after that date.

11.12 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7132, is amended by adding a subdivision
 11.13 to read:

11.14 Subd. 17. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "firearm-related item" has the meaning
 11.15 given in section 624.7134, subdivision 1.

11.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 11.17 committed on or after that date.

11.18 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7134, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

11.19 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) ~~As used in~~ For purposes of this section, the following
 11.20 terms have the meanings provided in this subdivision given.

11.21 (b) "Firearms dealer" means a person who is licensed by the United States Department
 11.22 of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, under United States Code,
 11.23 title 18, section 923(a).

11.24 (c) "Firearm-related item" includes a semiautomatic military-style assault weapon, a
 11.25 pistol, and ammunition for a semiautomatic military-style assault weapon or pistol.

11.26 ~~(e)~~ (d) "State or federally issued identification" means a document or card made or issued
 11.27 by or under the authority of the United States government or the state that contains the
 11.28 person's name, residence address, date of birth, and photograph and is of a type commonly
 11.29 accepted for the purpose of identification of individuals.

12.1 ~~(d)~~ (e) "Unlicensed person" means a person who does not hold a license under United
12.2 States Code, title 18, section 923(a).

12.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
12.4 committed on or after that date.

12.5 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7134, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

12.6 Subd. 2. **Background check and evidence of identity.** An unlicensed person is prohibited
12.7 from transferring a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related
12.8 item to any other unlicensed person, unless: (1) the transfer is made through a firearms
12.9 dealer as provided for in subdivision 3; or (2) the transferee presents a valid transferee
12.10 permit issued under section 624.7131 and a current state or federally issued identification.

12.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
12.12 committed on or after that date.

12.13 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7134, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

12.14 Subd. 3. **Background check conducted by federally licensed firearms dealer.** (a)

12.15 Where both parties to a prospective transfer of a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style~~
12.16 ~~assault weapon~~ firearm-related item are unlicensed persons, the transferor and transferee
12.17 may appear jointly before a federally licensed firearms dealer with the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related
12.18 item and request that the federally licensed firearms dealer conduct a background check on
12.19 the transferee and facilitate the transfer.

12.20 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a federally licensed firearms dealer
12.21 who agrees to facilitate a transfer under this section shall:

12.22 (1) process the transfer as though transferring the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item from the
12.23 dealer's inventory to the transferee; and

12.24 (2) comply with all requirements of federal and state law that would apply if the firearms
12.25 dealer were making the transfer, including at a minimum all background checks and record
12.26 keeping requirements. The exception to the report of transfer process in section 624.7132,
12.27 subdivision 12, clause (1), does not apply to transfers completed under this subdivision.

12.28 (c) If the transferee is prohibited by federal law from purchasing or possessing the ~~firearm~~
12.29 firearm-related item or not entitled under state law to possess the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related
12.30 item, neither the federally licensed firearms dealer nor the transferor shall transfer the ~~firearm~~
12.31 firearm-related item to the transferee.

13.1 (d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, this section shall not prevent the
13.2 transferor from:

13.3 (1) removing the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item from the premises of the federally licensed
13.4 firearms dealer, or the gun show or event where the federally licensed firearms dealer is
13.5 conducting business, as applicable, while the background check is being conducted, provided
13.6 that the transferor must return to the federally licensed firearms dealer with the transferee
13.7 before the transfer takes place, and the federally licensed firearms dealer must take possession
13.8 of the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item in order to complete the transfer; and

13.9 (2) removing the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item from the business premises of the federally
13.10 licensed firearms dealer if the results of the background check indicate the transferee is
13.11 prohibited by federal law from purchasing or possessing the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item
13.12 or not entitled under state law to possess the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item.

13.13 (e) A transferee who consents to participate in a transfer under this subdivision is not
13.14 entitled to have the transfer report returned as provided for in section 624.7132, subdivision
13.15 10.

13.16 (f) A firearms dealer may charge a reasonable fee for conducting a background check
13.17 and facilitating a transfer between the transferor and transferee pursuant to this section.

13.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
13.19 committed on or after that date.

13.20 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7134, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

13.21 Subd. 4. **Record of transfer; required information.** (a) Unless a transfer is made
13.22 through a firearms dealer as provided for in subdivision 3, when two unlicensed persons
13.23 complete the transfer of a ~~pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~
13.24 firearm-related item, the transferor and transferee must complete a record of transfer on a
13.25 form designed and made publicly available without fee for this purpose by the superintendent
13.26 of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. Each page of the record of transfer must be signed
13.27 and dated by the transferor and the transferee and contain the serial number of the pistol or
13.28 semiautomatic military-style assault weapon or a detailed description of the ammunition.

13.29 (b) The record of transfer must contain the following information:

13.30 (1) a clear copy of each person's current state or federally issued identification;

13.31 (2) a clear copy of the transferee permit presented by the transferee; and

14.1 (3) a signed statement by the transferee swearing that the transferee is not currently
 14.2 prohibited by state or federal law from possessing a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item.

14.3 (c) If the transfer involves a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon, the
 14.4 record of transfer must also contain the following information regarding the transferred
 14.5 pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon:

14.6 (1) the type of pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon;

14.7 (2) the manufacturer, make, and model of the pistol or semiautomatic military-style
 14.8 assault weapon; and

14.9 (3) the pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon's manufacturer-assigned
 14.10 serial number.

14.11 (d) If the transfer involves ammunition, the record of transfer must also contain the
 14.12 following information about the ammunition:

14.13 (1) its caliber or gauge;

14.14 (2) its specific product line and manufacturer;

14.15 (3) its weight or grain; and

14.16 (4) its type.

14.17 ~~(d)~~ (e) Both the transferor and the transferee must retain a copy of the record of transfer
 14.18 and any attachments to the record of transfer for 10 years from the date of the transfer. A
 14.19 copy in digital form shall be acceptable for the purposes of this paragraph.

14.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
 14.21 committed on or after that date.

14.22 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7134, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

14.23 Subd. 5. **Compulsory production of a record of transfer; misdemeanor penalty.** (a)
 14.24 Unless a transfer was completed under subdivision 3, the transferor and transferee of a ~~pistol~~
 14.25 ~~or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon~~ firearm-related item transferred under
 14.26 subdivision 4 must produce the record of transfer when a peace officer requests the record
 14.27 as part of a criminal investigation.

14.28 (b) A person who refuses or is unable to produce a record of transfer for a ~~firearm~~
 14.29 firearm-related item transferred under this section in response to a request for production
 14.30 made by a peace officer pursuant to paragraph (a) is guilty of a misdemeanor. A prosecution

15.1 or conviction for violation of this subdivision is not a bar to conviction of, or punishment
15.2 for, any other crime committed involving the transferred ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item.

15.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
15.4 committed on or after that date.

15.5 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.7134, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

15.6 Subd. 7. **Exclusions.** (a) This section shall not apply to the following transfers:

15.7 (1) a transfer by or to a federally licensed firearms dealer;

15.8 (2) a transfer by or to any law enforcement agency;

15.9 (3) to the extent the transferee is acting within the course and scope of employment and
15.10 official duties, a transfer to:

15.11 (i) a peace officer, as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c);

15.12 (ii) a member of the United States armed forces, the National Guard, or the Reserves of
15.13 the United States armed forces;

15.14 (iii) a federal law enforcement officer; or

15.15 (iv) a security guard employed by a protective agent licensed pursuant to chapter 326;

15.16 (4) a transfer between immediate family members, which for the purposes of this section
15.17 means spouses, domestic partners, parents, children, siblings, grandparents, and
15.18 grandchildren;

15.19 (5) a transfer to an executor, administrator, trustee, or personal representative of an estate
15.20 or a trust that occurs by operation of law upon the death of the former owner of the ~~firearm~~
15.21 firearm-related item;

15.22 (6) a transfer of an antique firearm as defined in section 624.712, subdivision 3;

15.23 (7) a transfer of a curio or relic, as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 27,
15.24 section 478.11, if the transfer is between collectors of firearms as curios or relics as defined
15.25 by United States Code, title 18, section 921(a)(13), who each have in their possession a
15.26 valid collector of curio and relics license issued by the United States Department of Justice,
15.27 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives;

15.28 (8) the temporary transfer of a ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item if:

15.29 (i) the transfer is necessary to prevent imminent death or great bodily harm; and

16.1 (ii) the person's possession lasts only as long as immediately necessary to prevent such
16.2 imminent death or great bodily harm;

16.3 (9) transfers by or to an auctioneer who is in compliance with chapter 330 and acting in
16.4 the person's official role as an auctioneer to facilitate or conduct an auction of the ~~firearm~~
16.5 firearm-related item; and

16.6 (10) a temporary transfer if the transferee's possession of the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related
16.7 item following the transfer is only:

16.8 (i) at a shooting range that operates in compliance with the performance standards under
16.9 chapter 87A or is a nonconforming use under section 87A.03, subdivision 2, or, if compliance
16.10 is not required by the governing body of the jurisdiction, at an established shooting range
16.11 operated consistently with local law in the jurisdiction;

16.12 (ii) at a lawfully organized competition involving the use of a ~~firearm~~ the firearm-related
16.13 item, or while participating in or practicing for a performance by an organized group that
16.14 uses ~~firearms~~ the firearm-related items as part of the performance;

16.15 (iii) while hunting or trapping if the hunting or trapping is legal in all places where the
16.16 transferee possesses the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item and the transferee holds all licenses
16.17 or permits required for hunting or trapping;

16.18 (iv) at a lawfully organized educational or instructional course and under the direct
16.19 supervision of a certified instructor, as that term is defined in section 624.714, subdivision
16.20 2a, paragraph (d); or

16.21 (v) while in the actual presence of the transferor.

16.22 (b) A transfer under this subdivision is permitted only if the transferor has no reason to
16.23 believe:

16.24 (1) that the transferee is prohibited by federal law from buying or possessing ~~firearms~~
16.25 firearm-related items or not entitled under state law to possess ~~firearms~~ firearm-related
16.26 items;

16.27 (2) if the transferee is under 18 years of age and is receiving the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related
16.28 item under direct supervision and control of an adult, that the adult is prohibited by federal
16.29 law from buying or possessing ~~firearms~~ firearm-related items or not entitled under state law
16.30 to possess ~~firearms~~ firearm-related items; or

16.31 (3) that the transferee will use or intends to use the ~~firearm~~ firearm-related item in the
16.32 commission of a crime.

- 17.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes
- 17.2 committed on or after that date.