

SENATE BILL 2288

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,  
Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) A person who owns a firearm shall report the loss or theft of the firearm to a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the location where the firearm was lost or stolen, or where the person reasonably believes that the firearm was lost or stolen, within forty-eight (48) hours of the discovery of the loss or theft.

(b) A person making a report of a lost or stolen firearm pursuant to subsection (a) must inform the law enforcement agency if the firearm is recovered by a person or entity other than the law enforcement agency to which the loss or theft was originally reported.

(c) It is an exception to subsection (a) if the owner of the firearm is physically incapable of making the required report.

(d)

(1) A first violation of this section is punishable only by a civil penalty, not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

(2) A second or subsequent violation of this section is a Class B misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1316, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

( ) Upon delivery of a firearm to a purchaser, a gun dealer shall inform the purchaser in writing of the requirements of Section 1.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.