

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 358

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BAKER.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 571, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to firearm buyback programs, with a penalty provision.

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

Section A. Chapter 571, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 571.520, to read as follows:

571.520. 1. As used in this section, "firearm buyback program" means a program to purchase or accept donations of privately owned firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition from private individuals or organizations for the purpose of reducing the number of firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition owned by civilians or for the purpose of permitting the individual or organization to sell or donate a firearm to the government without fear of prosecution. "Firearm buyback program" shall not include the purchase of a firearm, firearm part, or ammunition from a licensed firearms dealer and shall not include a program to purchase firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition for law enforcement purposes.

2. Neither the state nor any agency or political subdivision thereof nor any law enforcement agency therein shall conduct a firearm buyback program or participate in the implementation, administration, or operation of a firearm buyback program.

3. Neither the state nor any agency or political subdivision thereof nor any law enforcement agency therein shall expend any public funds for the purpose of implementing, administering, or otherwise operating a firearm buyback program.

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.

16 **4. Any person who violates this section while acting in an official capacity on behalf**
17 **of the state or an agency or political subdivision thereof or a law enforcement agency**
18 **therein shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.**

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