SENATE BILL 546

52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015

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AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS; REQUIRING LICENSED FIREARMS DEALERS TO POST A NOTICE REGARDING FAILURE TO SAFEGUARD A FIREARM; REQUIRING LICENSED FIREARMS DEALERS TO PROVIDE A PERSON WHO BUYS A FIREARM WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE A SAFETY LOCK OR LOCKED CONTAINER FOR FIREARM STORAGE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] FIREARMS DEALER--REQUIRED SIGN ON BUSINESS PREMISES.--A federally licensed dealer of firearms shall prominently display in a conspicuous place on the dealer's business premises the following sign, to be printed in letters not less than one inch in height:

"KNOWINGLY OR NEGLIGENTLY FAILING TO SAFEGUARD A FIREARM THAT ENDANGERS THE LIFE OR HEALTH OF A CHILD COULD BE A VIOLATION OF NEW MEXICO LAW (SECTION 30-6-1 NMSA 1978)".

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1   **SECTION 2.**   [NEW MATERIAL] FIREARMS DEALER--SAFETY LOCK OR

2   LOCKED CONTAINER--INFORMATION REGARDING SAFE STORAGE OF A

3   FIREARM.--

4   A.   A federally licensed firearms dealer shall

5   affirmatively offer a person who buys a firearm with the

6   opportunity to purchase a safety lock or a locked container for

7   the firearm.   A person who buys a firearm shall be provided a

8   written form from the firearms dealer that acknowledges that

9   the firearms dealer provided the buyer with the opportunity to

10   purchase a safety lock or a locked container for the firearm.

11   B.   A federally licensed firearms dealer shall

12   provide a person who buys a firearm with a written form that

13   advises the person of safe storage practices for firearms.

14   C.   The department of public safety, after

15   consultation with the department of health, shall draft a

16   standard text for the forms required by Subsections A and B of

17   this section to be used by firearms dealers and shall adopt

18   rules regarding the forms.

19   **SECTION 3.**   EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the

20   provisions of this act is July 1, 2015.

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