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To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a Federal firearms licensee from selling or delivering certain semiautomatic centerfire rifles to a person under 21 years of age, with exceptions for active duty military personnel and full-time law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. EVANS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. NORTON, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Raise the Age Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE**
2 **SELLING OR DELIVERING CERTAIN SEMI-**
3 **AUTOMATIC CENTERFIRE RIFLES TO A PER-**
4 **SON UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE, WITH EXCEP-**
5 **TIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 922(b)(1) of title 18,
7 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 “(1)(A) any firearm or ammunition to any indi-
9 vidual who the licensee knows or has reasonable
10 cause to believe has not attained 18 years of age;

11 “(B) any semiautomatic centerfire rifle that
12 has, or has the capacity to accept, an ammunition
13 feeding device with a capacity exceeding 5 rounds, to
14 any individual who the licensee knows or has reason-
15 able cause to believe has not attained 21 years of
16 age and is not a qualified individual; or

17 “(C) if the firearm or ammunition is not a
18 semiautomatic centerfire rifle described in subpara-
19 graph (B) and is other than a shotgun or rifle, or
20 ammunition for a shotgun or rifle, to any individual
21 who the licensee knows or has reasonable cause to
22 believe has not attained 21 years of age;”.

23 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 922(c)(1)
24 of such title is amended by striking “in the case of any
25 firearm” and all that follows through “eighteen years or
26 more of age” and inserting “in the case of a semiauto-

1 matic centerfire rifle that has, or has the capacity to ac-
2 cept, an ammunition feeding device with a capacity exceed-
3 ing 5 rounds, I am at least 21 years of age or a qualified
4 individual (as defined in section 921(a)(30) of title 18,
5 United States Code), in the case of a firearm other than
6 a semiautomatic centerfire rifle that has, or has the capac-
7 ity to accept, an ammunition feeding device with a capac-
8 ity exceeding 5 rounds, a shotgun or a rifle, I am at least
9 21 years of age, or that, in the case of a shotgun or a
10 rifle, I am at least 18 years of age”.

11 (c) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—Section
12 921(a) of such title is amended by inserting after para-
13 graph (29) the following:

14 “(30) The term ‘qualified individual’ means—

15 “(A) a member of the Armed Forces on active
16 duty; and

17 “(B) a full-time employee of the United States,
18 a State, or a political subdivision of a State who in
19 the course of his or her official duties is authorized
20 to carry a firearm.

21 “(31) The term ‘ammunition feeding device’ means
22 a magazine, belt, drum, feed strip, or similar device, but
23 does not include an attached tubular device which is only
24 capable of operating with .22 caliber rimfire ammuni-
25 tion.”.

1 **SEC. 3. OPERATION OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVES-**
2 **TIGATION'S PUBLIC ACCESS LINE.**

3 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date
4 of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Federal
5 Bureau of Investigation (in this section referred to as the
6 “FBI”) shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary
7 of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the
8 House of Representatives a report regarding operation of
9 the FBI’s public access line.

10 (b) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The report required by
11 subsection (a) shall, at a minimum, include the following:

12 (1) A description of the protocols and proce-
13 dures in effect with respect to information-sharing
14 between the public access line and the field offices
15 of the FBI.

16 (2) Recommendations for improving the proto-
17 cols and procedures to improve the information-shar-
18 ing.

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