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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: UNFAV 02/26/2018

The Committee on Rules (Rodriguez) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (345360) (with title amendment)

Between lines 209 and 210

insert:

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Section 8. Section 790.174, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

790.174 Safe storage of firearms required.-

(1) As used in this section, the term "minor" means a

10 person younger than 18 years of age.

(2) (1) A person who stores or leaves, on a premise under

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12 his or her control, a loaded firearm, as defined in s. 790.001, 13 and who knows or reasonably should know that a minor is likely 14 to gain access to the firearm without the lawful permission of 15 the minor's parent or the person having charge of the minor, or 16 without the supervision required by law, shall keep the firearm 17 in a securely locked box or container or in a location which a reasonable person would believe to be secure or shall secure it 18 19 with a trigger lock, except when the person is carrying the firearm on his or her body or within such close proximity 20 21 thereto that he or she can retrieve and use it as easily and 22 quickly as if he or she carried it on his or her body.

23 (3) (2) It is A person who violates subsection (2) commits a 24 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 25 775.082 or s. 775.083, if a person violates subsection (1) by 26 failing to store or leave a firearm in the required manner and 27 as a result thereof a minor gains access to the firearm, without 28 the lawful permission of the minor's parent or the person having charge of the minor, and possesses or exhibits it, without the 29 30 supervision required by law:

(a) In a public place; or

(b) In a rude, careless, angry, or threatening manner in violation of s. 790.10.

35 This subsection does not apply if the minor obtains the firearm 36 as a result of an unlawful entry by any person.

37 (3) As used in this act, the term "minor" means any person 38 under the age of 16.

39 Section 9. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 40 made by this act to section 790.174, Florida Statutes, in a

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41	reference thereto, paragraph (f) of subsection (5) of section
42	409.175, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:
43	409.175 Licensure of family foster homes, residential
44	child-caring agencies, and child-placing agencies; public
45	records exemption
46	(5)
47	(f) The department's rules shall include adoption of a form
48	to be used by child-placing agencies during an adoption home
49	study that requires all prospective adoptive applicants to
50	acknowledge in writing the receipt of a document containing
51	solely and exclusively the language provided for in s. 790.174
52	verbatim.
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54	========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
55	And the title is amended as follows:
56	Between lines 1761 and 1762
57	insert:
58	amending s. 790.174, F.S.; redefining the term
59	"minor"; requiring that, in specified circumstances, a
60	loaded firearm be kept in a securely locked box or
61	container or be secured with a trigger lock; deleting
62	conditions that pertain to the crime of failing to
63	safely store, leave, or secure a loaded firearm in a
64	specified manner; reenacting s. 409.175(5)(f), F.S.,
65	relating to certain rules of the Department of
66	Children and Families, to incorporate the amendment
67	made to s. 790.174, F.S., in a reference thereto;