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H. R. 3404

To amend the National Firearms Act to require that local chief law enforcement officers be notified of, and provided a 90-day period to deny, firearm transfers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 21, 2019

Ms. WEXTON (for herself, Mr. BEYER, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. CISNEROS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 “Empowering Law En-
5 forcement for Safer Firearm Transfers Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. NOTIFICATION OF LOCAL CHIEF LAW ENFORCE-**
2 **MENT OFFICER IN CASE OF FIREARM TRANS-**
3 **FER.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 5812 of the Internal Rev-
5 enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “; and (6)”
6 and inserting “(6) the Secretary has notified the chief law
7 enforcement officer of the jurisdiction in which the trans-
8 feree primarily resides that such application is pending,
9 and such officer either (A) certifies that there is no objec-
10 tion to the transfer, or (B) does not, before the end of
11 the 90-day period beginning on the date of such notifica-
12 tion, certify to the Secretary that (i) the transferee poses
13 a danger to the transferee or others, or (ii) there is a rea-
14 sonable likelihood the transferee will use the firearm for
15 unlawful purposes; and (7)”.

16 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
17 this section shall apply with respect to applications filed
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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