

# Union Calendar No. 340

117<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 2814

[Report No. 117-436]

To repeal the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act, and provide for the discoverability and admissibility of gun trace information in civil proceedings.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 22, 2021

Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. BASS, Mr. BEYER, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. BROWNLEY, Ms. BUSH, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. NEWMAN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. SWALWELL, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TORRES of New York, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CROW, and Mr. EVANS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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Additional sponsors: Ms. MENG, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. CASTEN, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. HIMES, Mr. COHEN, Ms. PORTER, Mr. CRIST, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. MANNING, Mr. JONES, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. DEAN, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. JACOBS of California, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. LAMB, Ms. STEVENS, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. CARSON, Mrs. TORRES of California, and Mr. HIGGINS of New York

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole  
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 22, 2021]

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## **A BILL**

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and provide for the discoverability and admissibility of  
gun trace information in civil proceedings.

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 “Equal Access to Justice*  
5 *for Victims of Gun Violence Act of 2022”.*

6 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE PROTEC-**  
7 **TION OF LAWFUL COMMERCE IN ARMS ACT.**

8        *Sections 2 through 4 of the Protection of Lawful Com-*  
9 *merce in Arms Act (15 U.S.C. 7901–7903) are repealed.*

10 **SEC. 3. DISCOVERABILITY AND ADMISSIBILITY OF GUN**  
11 **TRACE INFORMATION IN CIVIL PRO-**  
12 **CEEDINGS.**

13        *The contents of the Firearms Trace System database*  
14 *maintained by the National Trace Center of the Bureau of*  
15 *Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall not be im-*  
16 *munable from legal process, shall be subject to subpoena or*  
17 *other discovery, shall be admissible as evidence, and may*  
18 *be used, relied on, or disclosed in any manner, and testi-*  
19 *mony or other evidence may be permitted based on the data,*  
20 *on the same basis as other information, in a civil action*  
21 *in any State (including the District of Columbia) or Fed-*  
22 *eral court or in an administrative proceeding.*

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