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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of California, and Ms. JACKSON LEE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## 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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Protecting Our Kids Act”.

1 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
 2 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

#### TITLE I—RAISE THE AGE

Sec. 101. Prohibition on Federal firearms licensee selling or delivering certain semiautomatic centerfire rifles or semiautomatic centerfire shotguns to a person under 21 years of age, with exceptions.

Sec. 102. Operation of the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s public access line.

#### TITLE II—PREVENT GUN TRAFFICKING

Sec. 201. Prohibition on straw purchases of firearms; prohibition on gun trafficking.

Sec. 202. Prohibition on disposition of firearm to person intending unlawful further disposition.

Sec. 203. Penalties.

Sec. 204. Firearms subject to forfeiture.

#### TITLE III—UNTRACEABLE FIREARMS

Sec. 301. Requirement that all firearms be traceable.

Sec. 302. Modernization of the prohibition on undetectable firearms.

#### TITLE IV—SAFE STORAGE

Sec. 401. Ethan’s Law.

Sec. 402. Safe guns, safe kids.

Sec. 403. Kimberly Vaughan Firearm Safe Storage.

#### TITLE V—CLOSING THE BUMP STOCK LOOPHOLE

Sec. 501. Bump stocks.

#### TITLE VI—KEEP AMERICANS SAFE

Sec. 601. Definitions.

Sec. 602. Restrictions on large capacity ammunition feeding devices.

Sec. 603. Penalties.

Sec. 604. Use of Byrne grants for buy-back programs for large capacity ammunition feeding devices.

**TITLE I—RAISE THE AGE**

1  
2 **SEC. 101. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE**  
3 **SELLING OR DELIVERING CERTAIN SEMI-**  
4 **AUTOMATIC CENTERFIRE RIFLES OR SEMI-**  
5 **AUTOMATIC CENTERFIRE SHOTGUNS TO A**  
6 **PERSON UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE, WITH EX-**  
7 **CEPTIONS.**

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

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

13 “(B) any semiautomatic centerfire rifle or semi-  
14 automatic centerfire shotgun that has, or has the ca-  
15 pacity to accept, an ammunition feeding device with  
16 a capacity exceeding 5 rounds, to any individual who  
17 the licensee knows or has reasonable cause to believe  
18 has not attained 21 years of age and is not a quali-  
19 fied individual; or

20 “(C) if the firearm or ammunition is not a  
21 semiautomatic centerfire rifle or semiautomatic  
22 centerfire shotgun described in subparagraph (B)  
23 and is other than a shotgun or rifle, or ammunition  
24 for a shotgun or rifle, to any individual who the li-

1       censee knows or has reasonable cause to believe has  
2       not attained 21 years of age;”.

3       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 922(c)(1)  
4 of such title is amended by striking “in the case of any  
5 firearm” and all that follows through “eighteen years or  
6 more of age” and inserting “(1) in the case of a semiauto-  
7 matic centerfire rifle or semiautomatic centerfire shotgun  
8 that has, or has the capacity to accept, an ammunition  
9 feeding device with a capacity exceeding 5 rounds, I am  
10 at least 21 years of age or a qualified individual (as de-  
11 fined in section 921(a)(30) of title 18, United States  
12 Code), (2) in the case of a firearm other than a shotgun,  
13 a rifle, or such a semiautomatic centerfire rifle or semi-  
14 automatic centerfire shotgun, I am at least 21 years of  
15 age, or (3) in the case of any other shotgun or rifle, I  
16 am at least 18 years of age”.

17       (c) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—Section  
18 921(a) of such title is amended by inserting after para-  
19 graph (29) the following:

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

21               “(A) a member of the Armed Forces on active  
22       duty; and

23               “(B) a full-time employee of the United States,  
24       a State, or a political subdivision of a State who in

1 the course of his or her official duties is authorized  
2 to carry a firearm.

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

8 **SEC. 102. OPERATION OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVES-**  
9 **TIGATION’S PUBLIC ACCESS LINE.**

10 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
11 of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Federal  
12 Bureau of Investigation (in this section referred to as the  
13 “FBI”) shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary  
14 of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the  
15 House of Representatives a report regarding operation of  
16 the FBI’s public access line.

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

19 (1) A description of the protocols and proce-  
20 dures in effect with respect to information-sharing  
21 between the public access line and the field offices  
22 of the FBI.

23 (2) Recommendations for improving the proto-  
24 cols and procedures to improve the information-shar-  
25 ing.

1                   **TITLE II—PREVENT GUN**  
2                   **TRAFFICKING**

3   **SEC. 201. PROHIBITION ON STRAW PURCHASES OF FIRE-**  
4                   **ARMS; PROHIBITION ON GUN TRAFFICKING.**

5           (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 44 of title 18, United  
6 States Code, is amended—

7               (1) in section 921(a), by adding at the end the  
8 following:

9               “(37) The term ‘family members’ means spouses, do-  
10 mestic partners, parents and their children, including  
11 step-parents and their step-children, siblings, aunts or un-  
12 cles and their nieces or nephews, or grandparents and  
13 their grandchildren.”; and

14              (2) by adding at the end the following:

15   **“§ 932. Gun trafficking**

16              “(a) It shall be unlawful for any person (other than  
17 a licensee under this chapter), in or otherwise affecting  
18 interstate or foreign commerce, to knowingly purchase or  
19 acquire, or attempt to purchase or acquire, a firearm for  
20 the possession of a third party.

21              “(b) It shall be unlawful for any person (other than  
22 a licensee under this chapter), in or otherwise affecting  
23 interstate or foreign commerce, to hire, solicit, command,  
24 induce, or otherwise endeavor to persuade another person  
25 to purchase, or attempt to purchase, any firearm for the

1 purpose of obtaining the firearm for the person or selling  
2 or transferring the firearm to a third party.

3 “(c) The Attorney General shall ensure that the fire-  
4 arm transaction record form required to be completed in  
5 connection with a firearm transaction includes a statement  
6 outlining the penalties that may be imposed for violating  
7 subsection (a).

8 “(d) This section shall not apply to any firearm, if  
9 the purchaser or person acquiring the firearm has no rea-  
10 son to believe that the recipient of the firearm will use  
11 or intends to use the firearm in a crime or is prohibited  
12 from purchasing or possessing firearms under State or  
13 Federal law and the firearm—

14 “(1) is purchased or acquired by any person, or  
15 that any person attempts to purchase or acquire, as  
16 a bona fide gift between family members; or

17 “(2) is purchased or acquired by an agent of a  
18 lawful business, or that an agent of a lawful busi-  
19 ness attempts to purchase or acquire, for the pur-  
20 pose of transferring to another agent of the busi-  
21 ness, for lawful use in the business.”.

22 (b) FORFEITURE.—Section 982(a)(5) of such title is  
23 amended—

24 (1) in subparagraph (D), by striking “or” at  
25 the end; and





1           “(10) intends to sell or otherwise dispose of the  
2           firearm or ammunition in violation of a Federal law,  
3           or to sell or otherwise dispose of the firearm or am-  
4           munition to a person in another State in violation of  
5           a law of that State.”.

6 **SEC. 203. PENALTIES.**

7           Section 924(a) of title 18, United States Code, is  
8           amended by adding at the end the following:

9           “(8) Whoever knowingly violates section 922(a)(1)(A)  
10          or 932 shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more  
11          than 10 years, or both.”.

12 **SEC. 204. FIREARMS SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.**

13          Section 924(d) of title 18, United States Code, is  
14          amended—

15                 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or 932”  
16          after “section 924”; and

17                 (2) in paragraph (3)—

18                         (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking  
19                         “and” at the end;

20                         (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking the  
21                         period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

22                         (C) by adding at the end the following:

23                                 “(G) any offense under section 932.”.

1           **TITLE III—UNTRACEABLE**  
2                           **FIREARMS**

3 **SEC. 301. REQUIREMENT THAT ALL FIREARMS BE TRACE-**  
4                           **ABLE.**

5           (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 921(a) of title 18, United  
6 States Code, as amended by this Act, is further amend-  
7 ed—

8                   (1) in paragraph (10), by adding at the end the  
9 following: “The term ‘manufacturing firearms’ shall  
10 include assembling a functional firearm or molding,  
11 machining, or 3D printing a frame or receiver, and  
12 shall not include making or fitting special barrels,  
13 stocks, or trigger mechanisms to firearms.”; and

14                   (2) by adding at the end the following:

15           “(38) The term ‘ghost gun’—

16                   “(A) means a firearm, including a frame or re-  
17 ceiver, that lacks a unique serial number engraved  
18 or cast on the frame or receiver by a licensed manu-  
19 facturer or importer in accordance with this chapter;  
20 and

21                   “(B) does not include—

22                           “(i) a firearm that has been rendered per-  
23 manently inoperable;

24                           “(ii) a firearm that, not later than 30  
25 months after the date of enactment of this

1 paragraph, has been identified by means of a  
2 unique serial number, assigned by a State agen-  
3 cy, engraved or cast on the receiver or frame of  
4 the firearm in accordance with State law;

5 “(iii) a firearm manufactured or imported  
6 before December 16, 1968; or

7 “(iv) a firearm identified as provided for  
8 under section 5842 of the Internal Revenue  
9 Code of 1986.

10 “(39) The term ‘fire control component’—

11 “(A) means a component necessary for the fire-  
12 arm to initiate or complete the firing sequence; and

13 “(B) includes a hammer, bolt or breechblock,  
14 cylinder, trigger mechanism, firing pin, striker, and  
15 slide rails.

16 “(40)(A) The term ‘frame or receiver’—

17 “(i) means a part of a weapon that provides or  
18 is intended to provide the housing or structure to  
19 hold or integrate 1 or more fire control components,  
20 even if pins or other attachments are required to  
21 connect those components to the housing or struc-  
22 ture; and

23 “(ii) includes a frame or receiver, blank, cast-  
24 ing, or machined body, that requires modification,  
25 including machining, drilling, filing or molding, to be

1 used as part of a functional firearm, and which is  
2 designed and intended to be used in the assembly of  
3 a functional firearm, unless the piece of material has  
4 had—

5 “(I) its size or external shape altered solely  
6 to facilitate transportation or storage; or

7 “(II) solely its chemical composition al-  
8 tered.

9 “(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A)(i), if a weap-  
10 on with more than 1 part that provides the housing or  
11 a structure designed to hold or integrate 1 or more fire  
12 control or essential components, each such part shall be  
13 considered a frame or receiver, unless the Attorney Gen-  
14 eral has provided otherwise by regulation or other formal  
15 determination with respect to the specific make and model  
16 of weapon on or before January 1, 2023.”.

17 (b) PROHIBITION; REQUIREMENTS.—Section 922 of  
18 title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
19 end the following:

20 “(aa)(1)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B),  
21 it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell,  
22 offer to sell, transfer, purchase, or receive a ghost gun  
23 in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce.

24 “(B) Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to—

1           “(i) the manufacture of a firearm by a licensed  
2           manufacturer if the licensed manufacturer complies  
3           with section 923(i) before selling or transferring the  
4           firearm to another person;

5           “(ii) the offer to sell, sale, or transfer of a fire-  
6           arm to, or purchase or receipt of a firearm by, a li-  
7           censed manufacturer or importer before the date  
8           that is 30 months after the date of enactment of  
9           this subsection; or

10           “(iii) transactions between licensed manufactur-  
11           ers and importers on any date.

12           “(2) It shall be unlawful for a person other than a  
13           licensed manufacturer or importer to engrave or cast a  
14           serial number on a firearm in or affecting interstate or  
15           foreign commerce unless specifically authorized by the At-  
16           torney General.

17           “(3) Beginning on the date that is 30 months after  
18           the date of enactment of this subsection, it shall be unlaw-  
19           ful for any person other than a licensed manufacturer or  
20           importer to knowingly possess a ghost gun in or affecting  
21           interstate or foreign commerce.

22           “(4) Beginning on the date that is 30 months after  
23           the date of enactment of this subsection, it shall be unlaw-  
24           ful for any person other than a licensed manufacturer or  
25           importer to possess a ghost gun in or affecting interstate

1 or foreign commerce with the intent to sell or transfer the  
2 ghost gun with or without further manufacturing or to  
3 manufacture a firearm with the ghost gun.

4 “(5)(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell,  
5 offer to sell, or transfer, in or affecting interstate or for-  
6 eign commerce, to any person other than a licensed manu-  
7 facturer a machine that has the sole or primary function  
8 of manufacturing firearms.

9 “(B) Except as provided in subparagraph (A), begin-  
10 ning on the date that is 180 days after the date of enact-  
11 ment of this subsection, it shall be unlawful for any person  
12 other than a licensed manufacturer to possess, purchase,  
13 or receive, in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce,  
14 a machine that has the sole or primary function of manu-  
15 facturing firearms.

16 “(C) Subparagraph (B) shall not apply to a person  
17 who is engaged in the business of selling manufacturing  
18 equipment to a licensed manufacturer who possesses a ma-  
19 chine with the intent to sell or transfer the machine to  
20 a licensed manufacturer.”.

21 (c) REQUIREMENTS.—

22 (1) REMOVAL OF SERIAL NUMBERS.—Section  
23 922(k) of title 18, United States Code, is amend-  
24 ed—

1 (A) by striking “importer’s or manufactur-  
2 er’s” each place it appears; and

3 (B) by inserting “authorized by this chap-  
4 ter or under State law” before “removed”.

5 (2) LICENSED IMPORTERS AND MANUFACTUR-  
6 ERS.—Section 923(i) of title 18, United States  
7 Code, is amended—

8 (A) by inserting “(1)” before “Licensed”;  
9 and

10 (B) by adding at the end the following:  
11 “The serial number shall be engraved or cast  
12 on the frame or receiver in a manner sufficient  
13 to identify the firearm and the manufacturer or  
14 importer that put the serial number on the fire-  
15 arm.

16 “(2)(A) Not later than 180 days after the date of  
17 enactment of this paragraph, the Attorney General shall  
18 prescribe regulations for engraving a unique serial number  
19 onto a ghost gun.

20 “(B) The regulations prescribed under subparagraph  
21 (A) shall—

22 “(i) allow an owner of a firearm described in  
23 subparagraph (A) to have a unique serial number  
24 engraved on the firearm by a licensed manufacturer  
25 or importer; and

1           “(ii) require that a serial number be engraved  
2           on the frame or receiver in a manner sufficient to  
3           identify the firearm and the licensed manufacturer  
4           or importer that put the serial number on the fire-  
5           arm.

6           “(C) The regulations authorized under this para-  
7           graph shall expire on the date that is 30 months after  
8           the date of enactment of this paragraph.”.

9           (d) PENALTIES.—Section 924 of title 18, United  
10          States Code, is amended—

11                 (1) in subsection (a)(1)(B), by striking “or (q)”  
12                 and inserting “(q), (aa)(1), (aa)(2), (aa)(4), or  
13                 (aa)(5)”;

14                 (2) in subsection (c)—

15                         (A) in paragraph (1)—

16                                 (i) in subparagraph (A), in the matter  
17                                 preceding clause (i), by inserting “func-  
18                                 tional” before “firearm” each place it ap-  
19                                 pears;

20                                 (ii) in subparagraph (B), in the mat-  
21                                 ter preceding clause (i), by inserting “func-  
22                                 tional” before “firearm”; and

23                                 (iii) in subparagraph (D)(ii), by in-  
24                                 serting “functional” before “firearm”; and



1           (B) in paragraph (4), by striking “all or  
2           part of the firearm” and all that follows  
3           through “person.” and inserting the following:  
4           “all or part of the functional firearm, or other-  
5           wise make the presence of the functional fire-  
6           arm known to another person, in order to in-  
7           timidate that person, regardless of whether the  
8           functional firearm is directly visible to that per-  
9           son.”;

10          (3) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “or (k)”  
11          and inserting “(k), (aa)(1), (aa)(2), (aa)(4), or  
12          (aa)(5)”;

13          (4) in subsection (e)(1), by inserting “through  
14          the possession of a functional firearm” before “and  
15          has three”; and

16          (5) by adding at the end the following:

17          “(q) A person who violates section 922(aa)(3) shall—

18                 “(1) in the case of the first violation by the per-  
19                 son, be fined under this title, imprisoned not more  
20                 than 1 year, or both; or

21                 “(2) in the case of any subsequent violation by  
22                 the person, be fined under this title, imprisoned not  
23                 more than 5 years, or both.”.

1 **SEC. 302. MODERNIZATION OF THE PROHIBITION ON**  
2 **UNDETECTABLE FIREARMS.**

3 Section 922(p) of title 18, United States Code, is  
4 amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1)—

6 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
7 (A), by striking “any firearm”;

8 (B) by amending subparagraph (A) to read  
9 as follows:

10 “(A) an undetectable firearm; or”; and

11 (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking “any  
12 major component of which, when subjected to  
13 inspection by the types of x-ray machines com-  
14 monly used at airports, does not generate” and  
15 inserting the following: “a major component of  
16 a firearm which, if subjected to inspection by  
17 the types of detection devices commonly used at  
18 airports for security screening, would not gen-  
19 erate”;

20 (2) in paragraph (2)—

21 (A) by amending subparagraph (A) to read  
22 as follows:

23 “(A) the term ‘undetectable firearm’ means a  
24 firearm, as defined in section 921(a)(3)(A), of which  
25 no major component is wholly made of detectable  
26 material;”;

1 (B) by striking subparagraph (B) and in-  
2 serting the following:

3 “(B) the term ‘major component’, with respect  
4 to a firearm—

5 “(i) means the slide or cylinder or the  
6 frame or receiver of the firearm; and

7 “(ii) in the case of a rifle or shotgun, in-  
8 cludes the barrel of the firearm; and”;

9 (C) by striking subparagraph (C) and all  
10 that follows through the end of the undesig-  
11 nated matter following subparagraph (C) and  
12 inserting the following:

13 “(C) the term ‘detectable material’ means any  
14 material that creates a magnetic field equivalent to  
15 or more than 3.7 ounces of 17–4 pH stainless  
16 steel.”;

17 (3) in paragraph (3)—

18 (A) in the first sentence, by inserting “, in-  
19 cluding a prototype,” after “of a firearm”; and

20 (B) by striking the second sentence; and

21 (4) in paragraph (5), by striking “shall not  
22 apply to any firearm which” and all that follows and  
23 inserting the following: “shall not apply to—

24 “(A) any firearm received by, in the possession  
25 of, or under the control of the United States; or

1           “(B) the manufacture, importation, possession,  
2           transfer, receipt, shipment, or delivery of a firearm  
3           by a licensed manufacturer or licensed importer pur-  
4           suant to a contract with the United States.”.

## 5           **TITLE IV—SAFE STORAGE**

### 6           **SEC. 401. ETHAN’S LAW.**

7           (a) **SECURE GUN STORAGE OR SAFETY DEVICE.**—  
8           Section 922(z) of title 18, United States Code, is amended  
9           by adding at the end the following:

10           “(4) **SECURE GUN STORAGE BY OWNERS.**—

11           “(A) **OFFENSE.**—

12           “(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as pro-  
13           vided in clause (ii), it shall be unlawful for  
14           a person to store or keep any firearm that  
15           has moved in, or that has otherwise af-  
16           fected, interstate or foreign commerce on  
17           the premises of a residence under the con-  
18           trol of the person if the person knows, or  
19           reasonably should know, that—

20           “(I) a minor is likely to gain ac-  
21           cess to the firearm without the per-  
22           mission of the parent or guardian of  
23           the minor; or

1                   “(II) a resident of the residence  
2                   is ineligible to possess a firearm under  
3                   Federal, State, or local law.

4                   “(ii) EXCEPTION.—Clause (i) shall  
5                   not apply to a person if the person—

6                   “(I) keeps the firearm—

7                   “(aa) secure using a secure  
8                   gun storage or safety device; or

9                   “(bb) in a location which a  
10                  reasonable person would believe  
11                  to be secure; or

12                  “(II) carries the firearm on his  
13                  or her person or within such close  
14                  proximity thereto that the person can  
15                  readily retrieve and use the firearm as  
16                  if the person carried the firearm on  
17                  his or her person.

18                  “(B) PENALTY.—

19                  “(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as other-  
20                  wise provided in this subparagraph, any  
21                  person who violates subparagraph (A) shall  
22                  be fined \$500 per violation.

23                  “(ii) FORFEITURE OF IMPROPERLY  
24                  STORED FIREARM.—Any firearm stored in  
25                  violation of subparagraph (A) shall be sub-

1           ject to seizure and forfeiture in accordance  
2           with the procedures described in section  
3           924(d).

4           “(C) MINOR DEFINED.—In this paragraph,  
5           the term ‘minor’ means an individual who has  
6           not attained 18 years of age.”.

7           (b) FIREARM SAFE STORAGE PROGRAM.—Title I of  
8           the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968  
9           (34 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.) is amended by adding at the  
10          end the following:

11          **“PART PP—FIREARM SAFE STORAGE PROGRAM**

12          **“SEC. 3051. FIREARM SAFE STORAGE PROGRAM.**

13           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Attorney General  
14           shall make grants to an eligible State or Indian Tribe to  
15           assist the State or Indian Tribe in carrying out the provi-  
16           sions of any State or Tribal law that is functionally iden-  
17           tical to section 922(z)(4) of title 18, United States Code.

18           “(b) ELIGIBLE STATE OR INDIAN TRIBE.—

19           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
20           graph (2), a State or Indian Tribe shall be eligible  
21           to receive grants under this section on and after the  
22           date on which the State or Indian Tribe enacts legis-  
23           lation functionally identical to section 922(z)(4) of  
24           title 18, United States Code.

25           “(2) FIRST YEAR ELIGIBILITY EXCEPTION.—

1           “(A) IN GENERAL.—A covered State or In-  
2           dian Tribe shall be eligible to receive a grant  
3           under this section during the 1-year period be-  
4           ginning on the date of enactment of this part.

5           “(B) COVERED STATE OR INDIAN TRIBE.—  
6           In this paragraph, the term ‘covered State or  
7           Indian Tribe’ means a State or Indian Tribe  
8           that, before the date of enactment of this part,  
9           enacted legislation that is functionally identical  
10          to section 922(z)(4) of title 18, United States  
11          Code.

12          “(c) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds awarded under this  
13          section may be used by a State or Indian Tribe to assist  
14          law enforcement agencies or the courts of the State or In-  
15          dian Tribe in enforcing and otherwise facilitating compli-  
16          ance with any State law functionally identical to section  
17          922(z)(4), of title 18, United States Code.

18          “(d) APPLICATION.—An eligible State or Indian  
19          Tribe desiring a grant under this section shall submit to  
20          the Assistant Attorney General an application at such  
21          time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by  
22          such information, as the Assistant Attorney General may  
23          reasonably require.

24          “(e) INCENTIVES.—For each of fiscal years 2023  
25          through 2027, the Attorney General shall give affirmative

1 preference to all Bureau of Justice Assistance discre-  
2 tionary grant applications of a State or Indian Tribe that  
3 has enacted legislation functionally identical to section  
4 922(z)(4) of title 18, United States Code.”.

5 **SEC. 402. SAFE GUNS, SAFE KIDS.**

6 Paragraph (4)(B) of section 922(z) of title 18,  
7 United States Code, as added by this Act, is amended by  
8 adding at the end the following:

9 “(iii) ENHANCED PENALTY.—If a per-  
10 son violates subparagraph (A) and a minor  
11 or a resident who is ineligible to possess a  
12 firearm under Federal, State, or local law  
13 obtains the firearm and causes injury or  
14 death to such minor, resident, or any other  
15 individual, the person shall be fined under  
16 this title, imprisoned for not more than 5  
17 years, or both.”.

18 **SEC. 403. KIMBERLY VAUGHAN FIREARM SAFE STORAGE.**

19 (a) BEST PRACTICES FOR SAFE FIREARM STOR-  
20 AGE.—

21 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—

23 (i) Not later than 180 days after the  
24 enactment of this Act, the Attorney Gen-  
25 eral shall establish voluntary best practices



1 relating to safe firearm storage solely for  
2 the purpose of public education.

3 (ii) The Attorney General shall give  
4 not less than ninety days public notice, and  
5 shall afford interested parties opportunity  
6 for hearing, before establishing such best  
7 practices.

8 (B) REQUIREMENTS.—In establishing the  
9 best practices required under subparagraph (A),  
10 the Attorney General shall outline such best  
11 practices for preventing firearm loss, theft, and  
12 other unauthorized access for the following lo-  
13 cations:

14 (i) Businesses.

15 (ii) Vehicles.

16 (iii) Private homes.

17 (iv) Off-site storage facilities.

18 (v) Any other such place the Attorney  
19 General deems appropriate to provide such  
20 guidance.

21 (C) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 1 year  
22 after the enactment of this Act, the Attorney  
23 General shall publish, in print and on a public  
24 website, the best practices created pursuant to  
25 subparagraph (A) and shall review such best

1 practices and update them not less than annu-  
2 ally.

3 (b) PROMOTION OF SAFE FIREARM STORAGE.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 923 of title 18,  
5 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
6 end the following:

7 “(m) Beginning on January 1, 2025, licensed manu-  
8 facturers and licensed importers that serialize not less  
9 than 250 firearms annually pursuant to subsection (i)  
10 shall provide a clear and conspicuous written notice with  
11 each manufactured or imported handgun, rifle, or shotgun  
12 that—

13 “(1) is attached or adhered to, or appears on  
14 or within any packaging of, each handgun, rifle, or  
15 shotgun; and

16 “(2) states ‘SAFE STORAGE SAVES LIVES’  
17 followed by the address of the public website estab-  
18 lished by the Attorney General pursuant to section  
19 403(a) of the Protecting Our Kids Act.’”.

20 (c) SAFE STORAGE DEVICES FOR ALL FIREARM  
21 SALES.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 922(z) of title 18,  
23 United States Code, is amended by striking “hand-  
24 gun” each place it appears and inserting “handgun,  
25 rifle, or shotgun”.

1           (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the  
2           amendments made by this section shall take effect  
3           on the date that is 180 days after the enactment of  
4           this Act.

5           (d) KIMBERLY VAUGHAN SAFE FIREARM STORAGE  
6 GRANT PROGRAM.—Part PP of title I of the Omnibus  
7 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C.  
8 10101 et seq.), as added by this Act, is amended by adding  
9 at the end the following:

10 **“SEC. 3052. KIMBERLY VAUGHAN FIREARM SAFE STORAGE**  
11 **GRANT PROGRAM.**

12           “(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Attorney General may  
13 award grants to States and Indian Tribes for the develop-  
14 ment, implementation, and evaluation of Safe Firearm  
15 Storage Assistance Programs.

16           “(b) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Each applicant  
17 for a grant under this section shall—

18                   “(1) submit to the Attorney General an applica-  
19 tion at such time, in such a manner, and containing  
20 such information as the Attorney General may re-  
21 quire; and

22                   “(2) to the extent practicable, identify State,  
23 local, Tribal, and private funds available to supple-  
24 ment the funds received under this section.

25           “(c) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—

1           “(1) GRANTEE REPORT.—A recipient of a grant  
2 under this section shall submit to the Attorney Gen-  
3 eral an annual report, which includes the following  
4 information:

5                   “(A) The amount distributed to each Safe  
6 Firearm Storage Assistance Program in the ju-  
7 risdiction.

8                   “(B) The number of safe firearm storage  
9 devices distributed by each such Safe Firearm  
10 Storage Assistance Program.

11 A recipient of a grant under this section may not in-  
12 clude any personally identifying information of re-  
13 cipients of safe firearms storage devices pursuant to  
14 a Safe Firearm Storage Assistance Program that re-  
15 ceived funding pursuant to this section.

16           “(2) ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT.—Beginning  
17 13 months after the first grants are awarded under  
18 this section, and annually thereafter, the Attorney  
19 General shall submit to Congress a report, which  
20 shall include following information:

21                   “(A) A list of grant recipients during the  
22 previous year, including the funds awarded, cu-  
23 mulatively and disaggregated by grantee.

24                   “(B) The information collected pursuant to  
25 subsection (d)(1).

1       “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
2 is authorized to be appropriated to the Attorney General  
3 to carry out this section \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal  
4 years 2023 through 2033, to remain available until ex-  
5 pended.

6       “(e) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds awarded under this  
7 section shall be allocated as follows:

8           “(1) Not less than 75 percent of the funds re-  
9 ceived by a grantee shall be used to create or to pro-  
10 vide resources for Safe Firearm Storage Assistance  
11 Programs in the jurisdiction.

12           “(2) Not more than 25 percent of the funds re-  
13 ceived by a grantee may be made available to non-  
14 profit organizations to partner with units of local  
15 government to purchase and distribute safe firearm  
16 storage devices.

17       “(f) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

18           “(1) The term ‘safe firearm storage device’  
19 means a device that is—

20           “(A) designed and marketed for the prin-  
21 cipal purpose of denying unauthorized access to,  
22 or rendering inoperable, a firearm or ammuni-  
23 tion; and

24           “(B) secured by a combination lock, key  
25 lock, or lock based on biometric information

1           which, once locked, is incapable of being opened  
2           without the combination, key, or biometric in-  
3           formation, respectively.

4           “(2) The term ‘Safe Firearm Storage Assist-  
5           ance Program’ means a program—

6                   “(A) carried out by a unit of local govern-  
7                   ment or an Indian tribe; and

8                   “(B) solely for the purpose of acquiring  
9                   and distributing safe firearm storage devices to  
10                  the public.”.

11          (e) PREVENT FAMILY FIRE SAFE FIREARM STORAGE  
12          CREDIT.—

13           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of  
14          subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue  
15          Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the  
16          following new section:

17          **“SEC. 45U. SAFE FIREARM STORAGE CREDIT.**

18           “(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—For purposes of sec-  
19          tion 38, the safe firearm storage credit determined under  
20          this section for the taxable year is an amount equal to  
21          10 percent of amounts received from the first retail sale  
22          of a safe firearm storage device for use within the United  
23          States.

24           “(b) LIMITATION.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount taken into ac-  
2           count under subsection (a) with respect to a safe  
3           firearm storage device shall not exceed \$400.

4           “(2) VALUE.—If, in connection with a sale of a  
5           safe firearm storage device, the transferee receives  
6           other property, the amount taken into account under  
7           subsection (a) shall be limited to the amount re-  
8           ceived solely with respect to the safe firearm storage  
9           device, which shall be determined based on the value  
10          of the safe firearm storage device relative to the  
11          value of such other property.

12          “(c) SAFE FIREARM STORAGE DEVICE.—For pur-  
13          poses of this section—

14                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘safe firearm  
15                 storage device’ means a device that is—

16                         “(A) designed and marketed for the prin-  
17                         cipal purpose of denying unauthorized access to,  
18                         or rendering inoperable, a firearm or ammuni-  
19                         tion, and

20                         “(B) secured by a combination lock, key  
21                         lock, or lock based on biometric information  
22                         which, once locked, is incapable of being opened  
23                         without the combination, key, or biometric in-  
24                         formation, respectively.

1           “(2) EXCLUSION.—The term ‘safe firearm stor-  
2 age device’ does not include—

3           “(A) any device which is incorporated to  
4 any extent into the design of a firearm or of  
5 ammunition, or

6           “(B) any device that, as of the day of the  
7 sale described in subsection (a), has been sub-  
8 ject to a mandatory recall by the Consumer  
9 Product Safety Commission.

10          “(3) FIREARM; AMMUNITION.—The terms ‘fire-  
11 arm’ and ‘ammunition’ have the meanings given  
12 such terms in section 921 of title 18, United States  
13 Code (without regard to all that follows ‘firearm si-  
14 lencer, or bump stock’ in paragraph (3) of such sec-  
15 tion).

16          “(d) TERMINATION.—This section shall not apply to  
17 sales after December 31, 2030.”.

18          (2) CREDIT MADE PART OF GENERAL BUSI-  
19 NESS.—Subsection (b) of section 38 of the Internal  
20 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking  
21 “plus” at the end of paragraph (32), by striking the  
22 period at the end of paragraph (33) and inserting “,  
23 plus”, and by adding at the end the following new  
24 paragraph:



1           “(34) the safe firearm storage credit deter-  
2           mined under section 45U.”.

3           (3) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
4           tions for subpart D of part IV of subchapter A of  
5           chapter 1 of such Code is amended by adding at the  
6           end the following new item:

“Sec. 45U. Safe firearm storage credit.”.

7           (4) REPORT.—The Secretary of the Treasury  
8           shall make publicly available an annual report of the  
9           total amount of credit against tax determined under  
10          section 45U of such Code for taxable years ending  
11          in the preceding calendar year, disaggregated by  
12          State.

13          (5) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made  
14          by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning  
15          after the date of the enactment of this Act.

16           **TITLE V—CLOSING THE BUMP**  
17           **STOCK LOOPHOLE**

18           **SEC. 501. BUMP STOCKS.**

19           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5845 of the Internal Rev-  
20          enue Code of 1986 is amended—

21           (1) in subsection (a), by striking “and (8) a de-  
22          structive device.” and inserting “(8) a destructive  
23          device; and (9) a bump stock.”; and

24           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
25          sections:

1       “(n) BUMP STOCK.—The term ‘bump stock’ means  
2 any of the following:

3           “(1) Any manual, power-driven, or electronic  
4 device that is designed such that when the device is  
5 attached to a semiautomatic weapon, the device  
6 eliminates the need for the operator of a semiauto-  
7 matic weapon to make a separate movement for each  
8 individual function of the trigger and—

9           “(A) materially increases the rate of fire of  
10 the semiautomatic weapon, or

11           “(B) approximates the action or rate of  
12 fire of a machinegun.

13           “(2) Any part or combination of parts that is  
14 designed and functions to eliminate the need for the  
15 operator of a semiautomatic weapon to make a sepa-  
16 rate movement for each individual function of the  
17 trigger and—

18           “(A) materially increases the rate of fire of  
19 a semiautomatic weapon, or

20           “(B) approximates the action or rate of  
21 fire of a machinegun.

22           “(3) Any semiautomatic weapon that has been  
23 modified in any way that eliminates the need for the  
24 operator of the semiautomatic weapon to make a

1 separate movement for each individual function of  
2 the trigger and—

3 “(A) materially increases the rate of fire of  
4 the semiautomatic weapon, or

5 “(B) approximates the action or rate of  
6 fire of a machinegun.

7 “(o) SEMIAUTOMATIC WEAPON.—The term ‘semi-  
8 automatic weapon’ means any repeating weapon that—

9 “(1) utilizes a portion of the energy of a firing  
10 cartridge or shell to extract the fired cartridge case  
11 or shell casing and chamber the next round, and

12 “(2) requires a separate function of the trigger  
13 to fire each cartridge or shell.”.

14 (b) AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 18, UNITED STATES  
15 CODE.—

16 (1) Section 921(a) of title 18, United States  
17 Code, as amended by this Act, is further amended—

18 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “muffler  
19 or firearm silencer” and inserting “muffler,  
20 firearm silencer, or bump stock”; and

21 (B) by adding at the end the following:

22 “(41) The term ‘bump stock’ has the meaning given  
23 such term in section 5845(n) of the National Firearms  
24 Act (26 U.S.C. 5845(n)).”.

1           (2) Section 922 of title 18, United States Code,  
2           is amended—

3                   (A) in each of subsections (a)(4) and  
4                   (b)(4), by inserting “bump stock,” before “ma-  
5                   chinegun”; and

6                   (B) in subsection (o)(1), by inserting “or  
7                   bump stock” before the period.

8           **TITLE VI—KEEP AMERICANS**  
9                                   **SAFE**

10   **SEC. 601. DEFINITIONS.**

11           Section 921(a) of title 18, United States Code, as  
12           amended by this Act, is further amended by adding at the  
13           end the following:

14           “(42) The term ‘large capacity ammunition feeding  
15           device’—

16                   “(A) means a magazine, belt, drum, feed strip,  
17                   helical feeding device, or similar device, including  
18                   any such device joined or coupled with another in  
19                   any manner, that has an overall capacity of, or that  
20                   can be readily restored, changed, or converted to ac-  
21                   cept, more than 10 rounds of ammunition; and

22                   “(B) does not include an attached tubular de-  
23                   vice designed to accept, and capable of operating  
24                   only with, .22 caliber rimfire ammunition.

1 “(43) The term ‘qualified law enforcement officer’  
2 has the meaning given the term in section 926B.”.

3 **SEC. 602. RESTRICTIONS ON LARGE CAPACITY AMMUNI-**  
4 **TION FEEDING DEVICES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 922 of title 18, United  
6 States Code, is amended by inserting after subsection (u)  
7 the following:

8 “(v)(1) It shall be unlawful for a person to import,  
9 sell, manufacture, transfer, or possess, in or affecting  
10 interstate or foreign commerce, a large capacity ammuni-  
11 tion feeding device.

12 “(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the possession  
13 of any large capacity ammunition feeding device otherwise  
14 lawfully possessed on or before the date of enactment of  
15 this subsection.

16 “(3) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to—

17 “(A) the importation for, manufacture for, sale  
18 to, transfer to, or possession by the United States  
19 or a department or agency of the United States or  
20 a State or a department, agency, or political subdivi-  
21 sion of a State, or a sale or transfer to or possession  
22 by a qualified law enforcement officer employed by  
23 the United States or a department or agency of the  
24 United States or a State or a department, agency,  
25 or political subdivision of a State for purposes of law

1 enforcement (whether on or off-duty), or a sale or  
2 transfer to or possession by a campus law enforce-  
3 ment officer for purposes of law enforcement (wheth-  
4 er on or off-duty);

5 “(B) the importation for, or sale or transfer to  
6 a licensee under title I of the Atomic Energy Act of  
7 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) for purposes of estab-  
8 lishing and maintaining an on-site physical protec-  
9 tion system and security organization required by  
10 Federal law, or possession by an employee or con-  
11 tractor of such licensee on-site for such purposes or  
12 off-site for purposes of licensee-authorized training  
13 or transportation of nuclear materials;

14 “(C) the possession, by an individual who is re-  
15 tired in good standing from service with a law en-  
16 forcement agency and is not otherwise prohibited  
17 from receiving ammunition, of a large capacity am-  
18 munition feeding device—

19 “(i) sold or transferred to the individual by  
20 the agency upon such retirement; or

21 “(ii) that the individual purchased, or oth-  
22 erwise obtained, for official use before such re-  
23 tirement; or

24 “(D) the importation, sale, manufacture, trans-  
25 fer, or possession of any large capacity ammunition

1 feeding device by a licensed manufacturer or licensed  
2 importer for the purposes of testing or experimen-  
3 tation authorized by the Attorney General.

4 “(4) For purposes of paragraph (3)(A), the term  
5 ‘campus law enforcement officer’ means an individual who  
6 is—

7 “(A) employed by a private institution of higher  
8 education that is eligible for funding under title IV  
9 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.  
10 1070 et seq.);

11 “(B) responsible for the prevention or investiga-  
12 tion of crime involving injury to persons or property,  
13 including apprehension or detention of persons for  
14 such crimes;

15 “(C) authorized by Federal, State, or local law  
16 to carry a firearm, execute search warrants, and  
17 make arrests; and

18 “(D) recognized, commissioned, or certified by  
19 a government entity as a law enforcement officer.”.

20 (b) IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS FOR LARGE CAPAC-  
21 ITY AMMUNITION FEEDING DEVICES.—Section 923(i) of  
22 title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
23 end the following: “A large capacity ammunition feeding  
24 device manufactured after the date of enactment of this  
25 sentence shall be identified by a serial number and the

1 date on which the device was manufactured or made, leg-  
2 ibly and conspicuously engraved or cast on the device, and  
3 such other identification as the Attorney General shall by  
4 regulations prescribe.”.

5 (c) SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE OF LARGE CAPACITY  
6 AMMUNITION FEEDING DEVICES.—Section 924(d) of title  
7 18, United States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1)—

9 (A) in the first sentence—

10 (i) by striking “Any firearm or ammu-  
11 nition involved in” and inserting “Any fire-  
12 arm or ammunition or large capacity am-  
13 munition feeding device involved in”;

14 (ii) by striking “or (k)” and inserting  
15 “(k), or (v)”;

16 (iii) by striking “any firearm or am-  
17 munition intended” and inserting “any  
18 firearm or ammunition or large capacity  
19 ammunition feeding device intended”;

20 (B) in the second and third sentences, by  
21 inserting “or large capacity ammunition feeding  
22 device” after “firearms or ammunition” each  
23 place the term appears;

24 (2) in paragraph (2)—



1 (A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “or  
2 large capacity ammunition feeding device” after  
3 “firearms or ammunition”; and

4 (B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting “or  
5 large capacity ammunition feeding devices”  
6 after “firearms or quantities of ammunition”;  
7 and

8 (3) in paragraph (3)(E), by inserting “922(v),”  
9 after “922(n),”.

10 **SEC. 603. PENALTIES.**

11 Section 924(a)(1)(B) of title 18, United States Code,  
12 is amended by striking “or (q)” and inserting “(q), or  
13 (v)”.

14 **SEC. 604. USE OF BYRNE GRANTS FOR BUY-BACK PRO-**  
15 **GRAMS FOR LARGE CAPACITY AMMUNITION**  
16 **FEEDING DEVICES.**

17 Section 501(a)(1) of title I of the Omnibus Crime  
18 Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C.  
19 10152(a)(1)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
20 lowing:

21 “(I) Compensation for surrendered large  
22 capacity ammunition feeding devices, as that  
23 term is defined in section 921 of title 18,

1 United States Code, under buy-back programs  
2 for large capacity ammunition feeding devices.”.

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