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HOUSE BILL NO. 2466

Offered January 20, 2017

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-308.2:02, relating to the sale of handguns; personalized handguns required.*

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Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-308.2:02 as follows:

§ 18.2-308.2:02. Sale of handguns; personalized handguns required.

A. *No dealer, as defined in § 18.2-308.2:2, shall sell, rent, trade, or transfer from his inventory any handgun without making available for sale from his inventory at least one personalized handgun. As used in this section, "personalized handgun" means a handgun that incorporates within its design, and as part of its original manufacture, technology that automatically limits its operational use and that cannot be readily deactivated, so that it is capable of being fired only by an authorized or recognized user.*

B. *The Attorney General, in consultation with the Superintendent of State Police, shall maintain a list of personalized handguns available for retail sales purposes. This list shall identify such personalized handguns by manufacturer, model, and caliber. Such list shall be updated at least every three months, shall be published on the State Police website, and shall be made available in paper copy upon request. The Superintendent of State Police shall promulgate rules and regulations establishing a process for handgun manufacturers to (i) demonstrate that their handgun meets the statutory definition of a personalized handgun and (ii) request that such handgun be added to the list.*

C. *This section shall not apply to (i) transactions between persons who are licensed as firearms importers or collectors, manufacturers, or dealers pursuant to § 18.2-308.2:2; (ii) purchases by or sales to any law-enforcement officer or agent of the United States, the Commonwealth, or any local government or any campus police officer appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23.1; or (iii) sales or transfers of antique firearms or curios or relics as these terms are defined in § 18.2-308.2:2.*

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