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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would authorize the creation of firearms hold agreements, which are agreements between a federal firearm licensee, or a municipal or county law enforcement officer, and an individual firearm owner, where the licensee or law enforcement officer agrees to hold a lawfully possessed firearm for a specified period of time. This bill would also provide civil immunity for federal firearm licensees or municipal or county law enforcement officers who enter into firearms hold agreements.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to firearms; to authorize and provide for the creation and implementation of firearms hold agreements, and provide civil immunity for federal firearm licensees or municipal or county law enforcement officers who enter into such agreements.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this act, the following terms have the following meanings:



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29 (1) FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE. Any individual who is
30 licensed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Chapter 44.

31 (2) FIREARM. Any instrument as defined pursuant to 18
32 U.S.C. §921.

33 (3) FIREARM HOLD AGREEMENT. A private transaction
34 between a federal firearm licensee, or a municipal or county
35 law enforcement officer, and an individual firearm owner,
36 where the licensee or law enforcement officer takes physical
37 possession of the owner's lawfully possessed firearm at the
38 owner's request, holds the firearm for an agreed period of
39 time, and returns the firearm to the owner according to the
40 terms of the transaction.

41 (b) No individual shall have a cause of action against
42 a federal firearm licensee, or municipal or county law
43 enforcement officer, operating lawfully in this state for any
44 act or omission arising from a firearms hold agreement and
45 resulting in personal injury or death of any individual,
46 including the return of any firearm by a federal firearm
47 licensee, or municipal or county law enforcement officer, to
48 the individual firearm owner at the termination of a firearms
49 hold agreement.

50 (c) The immunity from civil liability provided in
51 subsection (b) shall not apply to any action arising from a
52 firearms hold agreement if that action is the result of any
53 unlawful conduct on the part of the federal firearm licensee
54 or municipal or county law enforcement officer.

55 (d) This section shall not apply to firearm transfers
56 made in violation of any prohibited act set forth in Title 13A



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57 or Chapter 27 of Title 41 of the Code of Alabama 1975.

58 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October

59 1, 2024.