

House Bill 27

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 38-3-51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 emergency powers of Governor, termination of emergency, limitations in energy emergency,  
3 and immunity, so as to remove the Governor's authority to suspend the sale, dispensing, or  
4 transportation of firearms in an emergency; to provide a short title; to provide an effective  
5 date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Restoring Gun Rights During State of  
9 Emergency Act of 2013."

10 **SECTION 2.**

11 Code Section 38-3-51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency  
12 powers of Governor, termination of emergency, limitations in energy emergency, and  
13 immunity, is amended by revising paragraph (8) of subsection (d) as follows:

14 "(8) Suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of alcoholic beverages,  
15 ~~firearms, explosives, and combustibles; provided, however, that any limitation on~~  
16 ~~firearms under this Code section shall not include an individual firearm owned by a~~  
17 ~~private citizen which was legal and owned by that citizen prior to the declaration of state~~  
18 ~~of emergency or disaster or thereafter acquired in compliance with all applicable laws of~~  
19 ~~this state and the United States; and"~~

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
22 without such approval.

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**SECTION 4.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.