

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFONTA

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Prohibits the illegal sale of ammunition

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:95.7.1, relative to offenses affecting the public safety; to prohibit the illegal
3 sale of ammunition; to provide for definitions; to provide for criminal penalties; and
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:95.7.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §95.7.1. Illegal sale of ammunition

8 A. The illegal sale of ammunition is the intentional selling of ammunition
9 to any person without verifying that the serial number or mark of identification of
10 the firearm in which the ammunition will be used has not been altered or obliterated
11 on the firearm.

12 B. For the purposes of this Section, the following words shall have the
13 following meanings:

14 (1) "Ammunition" means any projectiles with their fuses, propelling charges,
15 or primers fired from any firearm.

16 (2) "Firearm" means any pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, machine gun,
17 submachine gun, or assault rifle, which is designed to fire or is capable of firing
18 fixed cartridge ammunition or from which a shot or projectile is discharged by an
19 explosive.

- 1 C. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to any firearm which is an
- 2 antique or war relic and is inoperable or for which ammunition is no longer
- 3 manufactured in the United States and is not readily available in the ordinary
- 4 channels of commercial trade or which was originally manufactured without such an
- 5 identification number.
- 6 D. Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be fined not more
- 7 than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the illegal sale of ammunition and provides criminal penalties.

Proposed law prohibits the intentional selling of ammunition to any person without verifying that the serial number or mark of identification of the firearm in which the ammunition will be used has not been altered or obliterated on the firearm.

Proposed law provides for an exception for certain antique firearms.

Proposed law provides penalties of a fine of not more than \$500, imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

(Adds R.S. 14:95.7.1)