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9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 256, L.D. 350, Bill, "An Act To Repeal Certain Requirements Concerning the Sale and Purchase of Firearms"
11 12	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:
13 14	'Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §455, as repealed and replaced by PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. H, §1 and affected by Pt. X, §2, is amended to read:
15	§455. Record of sales of firearms
16	1. Forms. A dealer may not:
17 18 19	A. Sell, let or loan a firearm to a person without making a copy of the form a dealer must keep as prescribed by 18 United States Code, Section 923. The copy must be made and marked as "STATE COPY" before the firearm is delivered; or
20 21 22	B. Refuse to show or refuse to allow inspection of a copy of the form described in paragraph A to a sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer, constable, game warden or prosecuting attorney.
23 24	A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$50 may be adjudged.
25 26 27 28 29	1-A. Form. A firearms dealer may not refuse to show or refuse to allow inspection of the form a dealer must keep as prescribed by 18 United States Code, Section 923 to a law enforcement officer as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 17 upon presentation of a formal written request for inspection stating that the form relates to an active criminal investigation.
30 31	A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$50 may be adjudged.
32 33 34	2. False or fictitious name. A person may not give a false or fictitious name to a <u>firearms</u> dealer. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$50 may be adjudged

1	3. Exception. This section does not apply to a firearms wholesaler who sells only to
2	other <u>firearms</u> dealers or to a <u>firearms</u> manufacturer who sells only at wholesale.'
3	SUMMARY
4 5 6 7	This amendment replaces the bill and amends the provision of law that requires a firearms dealer who sells, lets or loans a firearm to make a copy of the form the dealer must keep pursuant to federal law and to show that copy to a law enforcement officer or prosecuting attorney as follows.
8 9	1. Like the bill, it removes the requirement that a dealer make a state copy of that federal form;
10 11 12	2. It requires a dealer to show to or allow inspection of that federal form by a state law enforcement officer or prosecuting attorney upon presentation of a formal written request for inspection stating that the form relates to an active criminal investigation; and
13 14	3. It retains the exception currently in law regarding the sale of firearms by a wholesaler to a dealer or another wholesaler.
15	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
16	(See attached)