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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

H.P. 256 - L.D. 350

An Act To Repeal Certain Requirements Concerning the Sale and Purchase of Firearms

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §455, as repealed and replaced by PL 2003, c. 452, Pt.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:

§455. Record of sales of firearms

1. Forms. A dealer may not:

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

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.

A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$50 may be adjudged.

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.

A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of \$50 may be adjudged.

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.

3. Exception. This section does not apply to a <u>firearms</u> wholesaler who sells only to other <u>firearms</u> dealers or to a <u>firearms</u> manufacturer who sells only at wholesale.