

SENATE BILL NO. 273

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SCHROER.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 571.020, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to firearm suppressors, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 571.020, RSMo, is repealed and four
2 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections
3 571.020, 571.930, 571.935, and 571.940, to read as follows:

571.020. 1. A person commits an offense if such
2 person knowingly possesses, manufactures, transports,
3 repairs, or sells:

4 (1) An explosive weapon;

5 (2) An explosive, incendiary or poison substance or
6 material with the purpose to possess, manufacture or sell an
7 explosive weapon;

8 (3) A gas gun;

9 (4) A bullet or projectile which explodes or detonates
10 upon impact because of an independent explosive charge after
11 having been shot from a firearm; **[or]**

12 (5) Knuckles; or

13 (6) Any of the following in violation of federal law:

14 (a) A machine gun;

15 (b) A short-barreled rifle or shotgun; **or**

16 (c) **[A firearm silencer; or**

17 **(d)]** A switchblade knife.

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

18 2. A person does not commit an offense pursuant to
19 this section if his or her conduct involved any of the items
20 in subdivisions (1) to (5) of subsection 1 **of this section**,
21 the item was possessed in conformity with any applicable
22 federal law, and the conduct:

23 (1) Was incident to the performance of official duty
24 by the Armed Forces, National Guard, a governmental law
25 enforcement agency, or a penal institution; or

26 (2) Was incident to engaging in a lawful commercial or
27 business transaction with an organization enumerated in
28 subdivision (1) of this **[section] subsection**; or

29 (3) Was incident to using an explosive weapon in a
30 manner reasonably related to a lawful industrial or
31 commercial enterprise; or

32 (4) Was incident to displaying the weapon in a public
33 museum or exhibition; or

34 (5) Was incident to using the weapon in a manner
35 reasonably related to a lawful dramatic performance.

36 3. An offense pursuant to subdivision (1), (2), (3) or
37 (6) of subsection 1 of this section is a class D felony; a
38 crime pursuant to subdivision (4) or (5) of subsection 1 of
39 this section is a class A misdemeanor.

40 **4. The offense of knowingly possessing, manufacturing,**
41 **transporting, repairing, or selling a firearm silencer, as**
42 **it existed immediately before August 28, 2025, shall not be**
43 **prosecuted on or after August 28, 2025. If on August 28,**
44 **2025, a criminal action is pending for such offense, the**
45 **action is dismissed on that date. However, a final**
46 **conviction for such offense that exists on August 28, 2025,**
47 **shall not be affected.**

 571.930. As used in sections 571.930 to 571.940, the
2 following terms mean:

3 (1) "Firearm suppressor", any device designed, made,
4 or adapted to muffle the report of a firearm;

5 (2) "Generic and insignificant part", an item that has
6 manufacturing or consumer product applications other than
7 inclusion in a firearm suppressor. The term "generic and
8 insignificant part" includes a spring, screw, nut, or pin;

9 (3) "Manufacture", forging, casting, machining, or
10 another process for working a material.

571.935. 1. (1) For the purposes of this section, a
2 firearm suppressor is manufactured in this state if the item
3 is manufactured:

4 (a) In this state from basic materials; and

5 (b) Without the inclusion of any part imported from
6 another state other than a generic and insignificant part.

7 (2) For the purposes of this section, a firearm
8 suppressor is manufactured in this state if it is
9 manufactured as described in subdivision (1) of this
10 subsection without regard to whether a firearm imported into
11 this state from another state is attached to or used in
12 conjunction with the suppressor.

13 2. (1) A firearm suppressor that is manufactured in
14 this state and remains in this state shall not be subject to
15 federal law or federal regulation, including registration,
16 under the authority of the United States Congress to
17 regulate interstate commerce.

18 (2) A basic material from which a firearm suppressor
19 is manufactured in this state, including unmachined steel,
20 shall not be a firearm suppressor and is not subject to
21 federal regulation under the authority of the United States
22 Congress to regulate interstate commerce as if it actually
23 were a firearm suppressor.

24 3. A firearm suppressor manufactured and sold in this
25 state shall have the words "Made in Missouri" clearly
26 stamped on it.

27 4. On written notification to the attorney general by
28 a United States citizen who resides in this state of the
29 citizen's intent to manufacture a firearm suppressor to
30 which subsection 2 of this section applies, the attorney
31 general shall seek a declaratory judgment from a federal
32 district court in this state that subsection 2 of this
33 section is consistent with the United States Constitution.

34 5. The provisions of this section shall apply only to
35 firearm suppressors that are manufactured on or after August
36 28, 2025.

 571.940. 1. The provisions of this section shall
2 apply to:

3 (1) The state of Missouri, including an agency,
4 department, commission, bureau, board, office, council,
5 court, or other entity that is in any branch of state
6 government and that is created by the constitution or a
7 statute of this state, including a university system or a
8 system of higher education;

9 (2) The governing body of a municipality, county, or
10 special district or authority;

11 (3) An officer, employee, or other body that is part
12 of a municipality, county, or special district or authority,
13 including a sheriff, municipal police department, municipal
14 attorney, or county attorney; and

15 (4) A prosecuting attorney, county counselor, or
16 circuit attorney.

17 2. (1) An entity described in subsection 1 of this
18 section shall not adopt a rule, order, ordinance, or policy
19 under which the entity enforces, or by consistent action

20 allows the enforcement of, a federal statute, order, rule,
21 or regulation that purports to regulate a firearm suppressor
22 if the statute, order, rule, or regulation imposes a
23 prohibition, restriction, or other regulation that does not
24 exist under the laws of this state.

25 (2) No entity described in subsection 1 of this
26 section and no person employed by or otherwise under the
27 direction or control of the entity shall enforce or attempt
28 to enforce any federal statute, order, rule, or regulation
29 described in subdivision (1) of this subsection.

30 3. (1) An entity described in subsection 1 of this
31 section shall not receive state grant funds if the entity
32 adopts a rule, order, ordinance, or policy under which the
33 entity enforces a federal law described in subdivision (1)
34 of subsection 2 of this section or, by consistent action,
35 allows the enforcement of a federal law described in
36 subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of this section.

37 (2) State grant funds for the entity shall be denied
38 for the fiscal year following the year in which a final
39 judicial determination in an action brought under this
40 section is made that the entity has violated subdivision (1)
41 of subsection 2 of this section.

42 4. (1) Any citizen residing in the jurisdiction of an
43 entity described in subsection 1 of this section may file a
44 complaint with the attorney general if the citizen offers
45 evidence to support an allegation that the entity has
46 adopted a rule, order, ordinance, or policy under which the
47 entity enforces a federal law described in subdivision (1)
48 of subsection 2 of this section or that the entity, by
49 consistent action, allows the enforcement of a federal law
50 described in subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of this

51 section. The citizen shall include with the complaint any
52 evidence the citizen has in support of the complaint.

53 (2) If the attorney general determines that a
54 complaint filed under subdivision (1) of this subsection
55 against an entity described in subsection 1 of this section
56 is valid, to compel the entity's compliance with this
57 section the attorney general may file a petition for a writ
58 of mandamus or apply for other appropriate equitable relief
59 in the circuit court of Cole County or the circuit court in
60 any county in which the principal office of the entity is
61 located. The attorney general may recover reasonable
62 expenses incurred obtaining relief under this subdivision,
63 including court costs, reasonable attorney's fees,
64 investigative costs, witness fees, and deposition costs.

65 (3) In any appeal of a suit brought under subdivision
66 (2) of this subsection, the appellate court shall expedite
67 the case by entering such scheduling orders as are necessary
68 to ensure that a final order or judgment will be entered
69 with the least possible delay.

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