SENATE BILL 778

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 6, relative to exemption from sales tax for firearms, firearms accessories, and firearms ammunition.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-393(f), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(f)

(1) In addition to the exemption in subsection (a), there is also exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter any firearms, firearms accessories, and firearms ammunition, if sold during the authorized time period for the sales tax holiday provided in subsection (a).

(2) The exemption provided by this subsection (f) shall be known as the "Second Amendment Tax-Free Weekend" and shall be subject to § 67-6-710(h).

(3) As used in this subsection (f):

(A) "Firearm":

 (i) Means a weapon designed, made, or adapted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or any device readily convertible to that use;

(ii) Includes a shotgun, rifle, pistol, or revolver; and

(iii) Does not include an explosive weapon as defined in §

39-17-1301;

(B) "Firearms accessories":

(i) Means items used in conjunction with or mounted upon a firearm; and

(ii) Includes, but is not limited to, scopes; suppressors;
stocks; grips; triggers; speedloaders; clips, magazines, or other
ammunition storage devices; lights for target illumination; rail
systems; and firearm cases and covers; and

(C) "Firearms ammunition":

(i) Means projectiles designed for use in a firearm;

(ii) Includes shots, bullets, cartridges, and shotgun shells;

and

(iii) Does not include explosive weapons as defined in § 39-17-1301.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-393(a), is amended by deleting the language "this section" and substituting instead the language "this subsection (a)".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-393(b), is amended by deleting the language "this section" and substituting instead the language "subsection (a)".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-393(d), is amended by deleting the word "exemption" and substituting instead the word "exemptions".

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.