

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4201

To amend title 18, United States Code, to require a gun lock to be provided to every firearm purchaser.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 16, 2023

Ms. TLAIB (for herself, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. FROST, and Ms. DELAURO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Safe Storage Saves  
5 Lives Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT THAT A COMPATIBLE GUN LOCK BE**  
7 **PROVIDED TO EVERY FIREARM PURCHASER.**

8 Section 922(z) of title 18, United States Code, is  
9 amended—

1 (1) by striking “handgun” each place it appears  
2 and inserting “firearm”;

3 (2) in paragraph (1)—

4 (A) by striking “licensed importer, licensed  
5 manufacturer, or licensed dealer” and inserting  
6 “person”;

7 (B) by striking “person other than any  
8 person licensed under this chapter” and insert-  
9 ing “other person”; and

10 (C) by striking “for that” and inserting  
11 “compatible with the”; and

12 (3) in paragraph (2)(D), by striking “licensed  
13 manufacturer, licensed importer, or licensed dealer”  
14 and inserting “transferor”.

15 **SEC. 3. CLARIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF “SECURE GUN**  
16 **STORAGE OR SAFETY DEVICE”.**

17 Section 921(a)(34)(C) of title 18, United States  
18 Code, is amended by inserting “provided with, or incor-  
19 porated into the design of, the device” before the period.

20 **SEC. 4. REQUIREMENT THAT A GUN SELLER HAVE A COM-**  
21 **PATIBLE GUN LOCK AVAILABLE FOR EVERY**  
22 **FIREARM OFFERED FOR SALE.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 922(z) of title 18, United  
24 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
25 lowing:

1           “(4) REQUIREMENT THAT A GUN SELLER HAVE  
2           A COMPATIBLE GUN LOCK AVAILABLE FOR EVERY  
3           FIREARM OFFERED FOR SALE.—It shall be unlawful  
4           for any person to offer a firearm for sale unless the  
5           person offers for sale a secure gun storage or safety  
6           device that is compatible with the firearm.”.

7           (b) PENALTIES.—

8           (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 924(p) of such title  
9           is amended by adding at the end the following:

10           “(3) PENALTIES ON OTHERS.—With respect to  
11           each violation of section 922(z)(4) by a person who  
12           is not a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, or  
13           licensed dealer, the Attorney General may, after no-  
14           tice and opportunity for hearing, subject the violator  
15           to a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000.”.

16           (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section  
17           924(p)(1) of such title is amended—

18           (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking  
19           “IN GENERAL” and inserting “PENALTIES ON  
20           LICENSED MANUFACTURERS, LICENSED IM-  
21           PORTERS, AND LICENSED DEALERS”; and

22           (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “Sec-  
23           retary” and inserting “Attorney General”.

1 **SEC. 5. SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.**

2       It is the sense of the Congress that any funds col-  
3 lected through fines for violations of section 922(z)(4) of  
4 title 18, United States Code, be used for the distribution  
5 of free or reduced-cost secure gun storage or safety de-  
6 vices, or for a campaign to raise public awareness about  
7 the use of the devices.

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