

Legislative Analysis



SHORT-BARRELED SHOTGUNS & RIFLES

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Senate Bill 610

Sponsor: Sen. Mike Green

House Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 610 AS PASSED BY THE SENATE 11-14-13

The bill would expand the exemption to the ban on manufacturing, selling, offering for sale, or possessing a short-barreled shotgun or a short-barreled rifle.

Currently, the Michigan Penal Code prohibits a person from manufacturing, selling, offering for sale, or possessing a short-barreled shotgun or a short-barreled rifle. Senate Bill 610 would amend the code to instead specify that a person could not *make, manufacture, transfer, or possess* a short-barrel shotgun or short-barrel rifle.

The code currently exempts from the above ban short-barreled rifles and shotguns that under federal law are considered to be a curio, relic, antique, museum piece, or collector's item not likely to be used as a weapon, but only if the person selling, offering for sale, or possessing the firearm has also fully complied with the licensing provisions of the Michigan Handgun Act (Sections 2 and 2a).

The bill would amend the code (MCL 750.224b) to delete the current exemption and replace it with an exemption for a firearm that is lawfully made, manufactured, transferred, or possessed under federal law. The bill would also require a person, excluding a manufacturer, who is lawfully making, transferring, or possessing a firearm under this provision to comply with Section 2 or 2a of the state Handgun Act.

The current penalty for a violation would remain the same: a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than five years and/or a fine of not more than \$2,500.

FISCAL IMPACT:

A fiscal analysis is in process.

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