



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB1446

Introduced 1/28/2025, by Rep. Janet Yang Rohr

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Temporary Firearm Storage Act. Requires all law enforcement agencies to establish temporary firearm storage programs. Provides that a law enforcement agency may only store a firearm if the owner of the firearm fills out an application stating (i) that the owner of the firearm is requesting the law enforcement agency to hold the firearm on the owner's behalf, (ii) the length of time the firearm will be held by the law enforcement agency, and (iii) that the owner of the firearm agrees that the firearm shall be turned over to the law enforcement agency if the owner of the firearm does not retrieve the firearm by the agreed upon time. Requires law enforcement agencies to send notice to the owner of a firearm before a storage agreement expires. Provides that, if a law enforcement agency has a public-facing website, then it must describe its temporary firearm storage program on the website. Allows an individual or business that has a Federal Firearms License and is certified by the Illinois State Police under the Firearm Dealer License Certification Act to establish a temporary firearm storage program. Provides that a law enforcement agency may not use a firearm stored under a temporary firearm storage program for any purpose without a warrant. Provides that neither a law enforcement agency nor a private entity that establishes a temporary firearm storage program shall be held liable for damage to a firearm stored under a temporary firearm storage program. Provides that a firearm may not be stored in a temporary firearm storage program without a safe storage mechanism. Effective one year after becoming law.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Temporary Firearm Storage Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

7 "Firearm" has the meaning given in Section 1.1 of the  
8 Firearm Owners Identification Card Act.

9 "Law enforcement agency" means the Illinois State Police,  
10 a sheriff's office, a municipal police department, a public  
11 university police department, or a community college police  
12 department.

13 "Storage agreement" means an agreement between the owner  
14 of a firearm and either (i) a law enforcement agency or (ii) a  
15 private entity that established a temporary firearm storage  
16 program under Section 20 regarding the storage of a firearm  
17 for a specified period of time.

18 "Temporary firearm storage program" means a program  
19 established under the Act for safely storing firearms outside  
20 the home of the owner of the firearm.

21 Section 10. Temporary firearm storage by law enforcement  
22 agencies and the Illinois State Police.

1           (a) All law enforcement agencies must establish a  
2 temporary firearm storage program. The Illinois State Police  
3 must establish a temporary firearm storage program in each  
4 troop headquarters.

5           (b) Prior to storage, the owner of a firearm must enter  
6 into a storage agreement with the law enforcement agency  
7 through which the firearm will be stored. A storage agreement  
8 may be created only by the owner of a firearm filling out an  
9 application stating (i) that the owner of the firearm is  
10 requesting the law enforcement agency to hold the firearm on  
11 the owner's behalf, (ii) the length of time the firearm will be  
12 held by the law enforcement agency, and (iii) that the owner of  
13 the firearm agrees that the firearm shall be turned over to the  
14 law enforcement agency if the owner of the firearm does not  
15 retrieve the firearm by the agreed upon time.

16           (c) The maximum term for a storage agreement shall be  
17 determined by the law enforcement agency. An owner of a  
18 firearm may enter into a new storage agreement under  
19 subsection (b) to continue to store the firearm under the  
20 temporary firearm storage program. A law enforcement agency  
21 may not limit the number of times the owner of a firearm may  
22 enter into a storage agreement with the law enforcement  
23 agency.

24           (d) A law enforcement agency must send notice to the  
25 firearm owner before a storage agreement expires. A law  
26 enforcement agency shall take possession of the firearm after

1 the expiration of the storage agreement if the law enforcement  
2 agency notified the owner of the firearm that the law  
3 enforcement agency would take possession of the firearm after  
4 the expiration of the storage agreement.

5 Section 15. Advertisement. If a law enforcement agency has  
6 a public-facing website, then it must describe its temporary  
7 firearm storage program on the website. The description on the  
8 website shall include a phone number to call to learn about the  
9 program, a digital copy of the form required for using the  
10 program, and the requirements for the program.

11 Section 20. Temporary firearm storage by a private entity.

12 (a) An individual or business that has a Federal Firearms  
13 License and is certified by the Illinois State Police under  
14 the Firearm Dealer License Certification Act may establish a  
15 temporary firearm storage program.

16 (b) Prior to storage, the owner of a firearm must enter  
17 into a storage agreement with the individual or business. A  
18 storage agreement may be created only by the owner of a firearm  
19 filling out a form stating (i) that the owner of the firearm is  
20 requesting the individual or business to hold the firearm on  
21 the owner's behalf, (ii) the length of time the firearm will be  
22 held by the individual or business, and (iii) that the owner of  
23 the firearm agrees that the firearm shall be turned over to the  
24 individual or business if the owner of the firearm does not

1 retrieve the firearm by the specified time.

2 (c) The maximum term for a storage agreement shall be  
3 determined by the individual or business. An owner of a  
4 firearm owner may enter into a new storage agreement under  
5 subsection (b) to continue to store the firearm under the  
6 temporary firearm storage program. An individual or business  
7 may not limit the number of times the owner of a firearm may  
8 enter into a storage agreement with the individual or  
9 business.

10 (d) An individual or business must send notice to the  
11 owner of a firearm before a storage agreement expires. An  
12 individual or business shall take possession of the firearm  
13 after the expiration of the storage agreement if the  
14 individual or business notified the owner of the firearm that  
15 the individual or business would take possession of the  
16 firearm after the expiration of the storage agreement.

17 (e) An individual or business storing a firearm under this  
18 Section may not use the firearm for any purpose.

19 Section 25. Warrant requirement. A law enforcement agency  
20 may not use a firearm stored under a temporary firearm storage  
21 program for any purpose without a warrant.

22 Section 30. Liability. Neither a law enforcement agency  
23 nor a private entity that establishes a temporary firearm  
24 storage program under Section 20 shall be held liable for

1 damage to a firearm stored under a temporary firearm storage  
2 program.

3 Section 35. Safe storage mechanism requirement. A firearm  
4 may not be stored in a temporary firearm storage program  
5 without a safe storage mechanism, including, but not limited  
6 to, a firearm lock.

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect one year  
8 after becoming law.