

SB3303



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/3/2026, by Sen. Chris Balkema

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 65/6

from Ch. 38, par. 83-6

Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Makes changes to the statement that must appear on a Firearm Owners Identification Card that qualifies for a photograph exemption. Provides that such a card shall have printed on it the following: "This card is valid for firearm purchases through a federally licensed firearms dealer when presented with photographic identification, such as a REAL ID compliant or standard State-issued driver's license, a REAL ID compliant or standard State-issued identification card, or a United States passport." Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

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

4 Section 5. The Firearm Owners Identification Card Act is
5 amended by changing Section 6 as follows:

6 (430 ILCS 65/6) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-6)

7 Sec. 6. Contents of Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

8 (a) A Firearm Owner's Identification Card, issued by the
9 Illinois State Police at such places as the Director of the
10 Illinois State Police shall specify, shall contain the
11 applicant's name, residence, date of birth, sex, physical
12 description, recent photograph, except as provided in
13 subsection (c-5), and signature. Each Firearm Owner's
14 Identification Card must have the Firearm Owner's
15 Identification Card number boldly and conspicuously displayed
16 on the face of the card. Each Firearm Owner's Identification
17 Card must have printed on it the following: "CAUTION - This
18 card does not permit bearer to UNLAWFULLY carry or use
19 firearms." Before December 1, 2002, the Department of State
20 Police may use a person's digital photograph and signature
21 from his or her Illinois driver's license or Illinois
22 Identification Card, if available. On and after December 1,
23 2002, the Illinois State Police (formerly the Department of

1 State Police) shall use a person's digital photograph and
2 signature from his or her Illinois driver's license or
3 Illinois Identification Card, if available. The Illinois State
4 Police shall decline to use a person's digital photograph or
5 signature if the digital photograph or signature is the result
6 of or associated with fraudulent or erroneous data, unless
7 otherwise provided by law.

8 (b) A person applying for a Firearm Owner's Identification
9 Card shall consent to the Illinois State Police using the
10 applicant's digital driver's license or Illinois
11 Identification Card photograph, if available, and signature on
12 the applicant's Firearm Owner's Identification Card. The
13 Secretary of State shall allow the Illinois State Police
14 access to the photograph and signature for the purpose of
15 identifying the applicant and issuing to the applicant a
16 Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

17 (c) The Secretary of State shall conduct a study to
18 determine the cost and feasibility of creating a method of
19 adding an identifiable code, background, or other means on the
20 driver's license or Illinois Identification Card to show that
21 an individual is not disqualified from owning or possessing a
22 firearm under State or federal law. The Secretary shall report
23 the findings of this study August 17, 2002 (12 months after the
24 effective date of Public Act 92-442).

25 (c-5) If a person qualifies for a photograph exemption, in
26 lieu of a photograph, the Firearm Owner's Identification Card

1 shall contain a copy of the card holder's fingerprints. Each
2 Firearm Owner's Identification Card described in this
3 subsection (c-5) must have printed on it the following: "This
4 card is valid for firearm purchases through a federally
5 licensed firearms dealer when presented with photographic
6 identification, such as a REAL ID compliant or standard
7 State-issued driver's license, a REAL ID compliant or standard
8 State-issued identification card, or a United States passport.
9 ~~"This card is only valid for firearm purchases through a~~
10 ~~federally licensed firearms dealer when presented with~~
11 ~~photographic identification, as prescribed by 18 U.S.C.~~
12 ~~922(t)(1)(C)."~~

13 (Source: P.A. 102-237, eff. 1-1-22; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21;
14 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)

15 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
16 becoming law.