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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 65/1.1	from Ch. 38, par. 83-1.1
430 ILCS 65/3	from Ch. 38, par. 83-3
430 ILCS 65/3.1	from Ch. 38, par. 83-3.1
430 ILCS 65/3a	from Ch. 38, par. 83-3a
720 ILCS 5/24-3	from Ch. 38, par. 24-3

Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Provides that a person who is not a federally licensed firearm dealer and who desires to transfer or sell a firearm while that person is on the grounds of a gun show must, prior to the sale or transfer of the firearm, request the Department of State Police to conduct a background check on the prospective recipient of the firearm. Provides that if the receipt of a firearm does not violate federal or State law, the Department of State Police shall (1) assign a unique number to the transfer; (2) provide the licensee, gun show promoter, or gun show vendor with the number; and (3) destroy all records of the system with respect to the call, other than the identifying number and the date the number was assigned, and all records of the system relating to the person or the transfer within 24 hours. Provides that the Department of State Police may not retain, copy, or distribute any such information previously collected. Provides that if the transfer of a firearm is denied by the Department of State Police, the Department may keep the records of a denial until the denial is appealed and overturned, or as long as necessary for a criminal prosecution. Provides that approvals issued by the Department of State Police for the purchase of a firearm are valid for 30 days from the date of issue. Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that the waiting period for obtaining a firearm after its purchase does not apply to the sale of a firearm at a gun show. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning firearms.

# 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 Sections 1.1, 3, 3.1, and 3a as follows:

6 (430 ILCS 65/1.1) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-1.1)

7 Sec. 1.1. For purposes of this Act:

8 "Counterfeit" means to copy or imitate, without legal 9 authority, with intent to deceive.

10 <u>"Federally licensed firearm dealer" means a person who is</u> 11 <u>licensed as a federal firearms dealer under Section 923 of the</u> 12 <u>federal Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. 923).</u>

13 "Firearm" means any device, by whatever name known, which 14 is designed to expel a projectile or projectiles by the action 15 of an explosion, expansion of gas or escape of gas; excluding, 16 however:

(1) any pneumatic gun, spring gun, paint ball gun or
B-B gun which either expels a single globular projectile
not exceeding .18 inch in diameter and which has a maximum
muzzle velocity of less than 700 feet per second or
breakable paint balls containing washable marking colors;

(2) any device used exclusively for signalling or
safety and required or recommended by the United States
Coast Guard or the Interstate Commerce Commission;

(3) any device used exclusively for the firing of stud
 cartridges, explosive rivets or similar industrial
 ammunition; and

(4) an antique firearm (other than a machine-gun)
which, although designed as a weapon, the Department of
State Police finds by reason of the date of its
manufacture, value, design, and other characteristics is
primarily a collector's item and is not likely to be used

1 as a weapon. 2 "Firearm ammunition" means any self-contained cartridge or 3 shotgun shell, by whatever name known, which is designed to be used or adaptable to use in a firearm; excluding, however: 4 5 (1) any ammunition exclusively designed for use with a 6 device used exclusively for signalling or safety and required or recommended by the United States Coast Guard or 7 the Interstate Commerce Commission; and 8 9 (2) any ammunition designed exclusively for use with a stud or rivet driver or other similar industrial 10 ammunition. 11 12 "Gun show" means an event or function: 13 (1) at which the sale and transfer of firearms is the regular and normal course of business where 50 or more 14 firearms are displayed, offered, or exhibited for sale, 15 16 transfer, or exchange; or 17 (2) not less than 5 gun show vendors display, offer, or exhibit for sale, sell, transfer, or exchange firearms. 18 "Gun show" includes the entire premises provided for an 19 20 event or function, including parking areas for the event or function, that is sponsored to facilitate the purchase, sale, 21 transfer, or exchange of firearms as described in this Section. 22 23 "Gun show" does not include training or safety classes, 24 competitive shooting events, such as rifle, shotgun, or handgun matches, trap, skeet, or sporting clays shoots, dinners, 25 banquets, raffles, or any other event where the sale or 26 27 transfer of firearms is not the primary course of business. "Gun show promoter" means a person who organizes or 28 29 operates a gun show. 30 "Gun show vendor" means a person who exhibits, sells, 31 offers for sale, transfers, or exchanges any firearms at a gun show, regardless of whether the person arranges with a gun show 32 promoter for a fixed location from which to exhibit, sell, 33 offer for sale, transfer, or exchange any firearm. 34 "Sanctioned competitive shooting event" means a shooting 35 contest officially recognized by a national or state shooting 36

# 1 sport association, and includes any sight-in or practice 2 conducted in conjunction with the event.

3 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 92-414, eff. 1-1-02.)

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#### (430 ILCS 65/3) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-3)

5 Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in Section 3a, no person may knowingly transfer, or cause to be transferred, any firearm or 6 7 any firearm ammunition to any person within this State unless the transferee with whom he deals displays a currently valid 8 Firearm Owner's Identification Card which has previously been 9 10 issued in his name by the Department of State Police under the 11 provisions of this Act. In addition, all firearm transfers by federally licensed firearm dealers and transfers of firearms at 12 gun shows as defined by this Act are subject to Section 3.1. 13

(b) Any person within this State who transfers or causes to 14 15 be transferred any firearm shall keep a record of such transfer 16 for a period of 10 years from the date of transfer. Such record shall contain the date of the transfer; the description, serial 17 18 number or other information identifying the firearm if no 19 serial number is available; and, if the transfer was completed 20 within this State, the transferee's Firearm Owner's Identification Card number. On demand of a peace officer such 21 22 transferor shall produce for inspection such record of 23 transfer.

(c) The provisions of this Section regarding the transfer
of firearm ammunition shall not apply to those persons
specified in paragraph (b) of Section 2 of this Act.
(Source: P.A. 92-442, eff. 8-17-01.)

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(430 ILCS 65/3.1) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-3.1) Sec. 3.1. Dial up system.

30 <u>(a)</u> The Department of State Police shall provide a dial up 31 telephone system <u>or utilize other existing technology</u> which 32 shall be used by any federally licensed firearm dealer<u>, gun</u> 33 <u>show promoter, or gun show vendor</u> who is to transfer a firearm 34 under the provisions of this Act. The Department of State

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1 Police shall utilize existing technology which allows the 2 caller to be charged a fee equivalent to the cost of providing this service but not to exceed \$2. Fees collected by the 3 Department of State Police shall be deposited in the State 4 5 Police Services Fund and used to provide the service. Any person who is not a federally licensed firearm dealer and who 6 desires to transfer or sell a firearm while that person is on 7 the grounds of a gun show must, before selling or transferring 8 9 the firearm, request the Department of State Police to conduct a background check on the prospective recipient of the firearm 10 11 in accordance with this Section.

(b) Upon receiving a request from a federally licensed 12 13 firearm dealer, gun show promoter, or gun show vendor, the Department of State Police shall immediately approve, or within 14 15 the time period established by Section 24-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 regarding the delivery of firearms, notify the 16 17 inquiring dealer of any objection that would disqualify the transferee from acquiring or possessing a firearm. 18 Τn 19 conducting the inquiry, the Department of State Police shall initiate and complete an automated search of its criminal 20 history record information files and those of the Federal 21 22 Bureau of Investigation, including the National Instant 23 Criminal Background Check System, and of the files of the 24 Department of Human Services relating to mental health and developmental disabilities to obtain any felony conviction or 25 26 patient hospitalization information which would disqualify a 27 person from obtaining or require revocation of a currently valid Firearm Owner's Identification Card. 28

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(c) If receipt of a firearm would not violate Section 24-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, federal law, or this Act the Department of State Police shall:

(1) assign a unique identification number to the 32 33 transfer;

(2) provide the licensee, gun show promoter, or gun 34 35 show vendor with the number; and

(3) destroy all records of the system with respect to 36

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1	the call, other than the identifying number and the date
2	the number was assigned, and all records of the system
3	relating to the person or the transfer within 24 hours.
4	(d) The Department may not retain, copy, or distribute any
5	information previously collected under this Section. Any
6	records generated under this Section shall comply with
7	subsection (c).
8	(e) If the transfer of a firearm is denied by the
9	Department of State Police, the Department may keep the records
10	of a denial until the denial is appealed and overturned, or as
11	long as necessary for a criminal prosecution.
12	(f) Approvals issued by the Department of State Police for
13	the purchase of a firearm are valid for 30 days from the date
14	of issue.
15	(g) The Department of State Police must act as the Illinois
16	Point of Contact for the National Instant Criminal Background
17	Check System.
18	(h) The Department of State Police shall promulgate rules
19	not inconsistent with this Section to implement this system.
20	(Source: P.A. 91-399, eff. 7-30-99.)
21	(430 ILCS 65/3a) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-3a)
22	Sec. 3a. (a) Any resident of Illinois who has obtained a
23	firearm owner's identification card pursuant to this Act and
24	who is not otherwise prohibited from obtaining, possessing or
25	using a firearm may purchase or obtain a rifle or shotgun or
26	ammunition for a rifle or shotgun in Iowa, Missouri, Indiana,
27	Wisconsin or Kentucky.
28	(b) Any resident of Iowa, Missouri, Indiana, Wisconsin or
29	Kentucky or a non-resident with a valid non-resident hunting
30	license, who is 18 years of age or older and who is not
31	prohibited by the laws of Illinois, the state of his domicile,
32	or the United States from obtaining, possessing or using a
33	firearm, may purchase or obtain a rifle, shotgun or ammunition
34	for a rifle or shotgun in Illinois.
35	(b-5) Any non-resident who is participating in a sanctioned

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1 competitive shooting event, who is 18 years of age or older and 2 who is not prohibited by the laws of Illinois, the state of his or her domicile, or the United States from obtaining, 3 possessing, or using a firearm, may purchase or obtain a 4 5 shotgun or shotgun ammunition in Illinois for the purpose of 6 participating in that event. A person may purchase or obtain a shotgun or shotgun ammunition under this subsection only at the 7 8 site where the sanctioned competitive shooting event is being 9 held.

10 For purposes of this subsection, "sanctioned competitive 11 shooting event" means a shooting contest officially recognized 12 by a national or state shooting sport association, and includes 13 any sight-in or practice conducted in conjunction with the 14 event.

15 (c) Any transaction under this Section is subject to the 16 provisions of the Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. 922 17 (b)(3)).

18 (Source: P.A. 92-528, eff. 2-8-02.)

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Section 10. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by changing Section 24-3 as follows:

21 (720 ILCS 5/24-3) (from Ch. 38, par. 24-3)

22 Sec. 24-3. Unlawful Sale of Firearms.

(A) A person commits the offense of unlawful sale offirearms when he or she knowingly does any of the following:

(a) Sells or gives any firearm of a size which may be
 concealed upon the person to any person under 18 years of
 age.

(b) Sells or gives any firearm to a person under 21
years of age who has been convicted of a misdemeanor other
than a traffic offense or adjudged delinquent.

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(c) Sells or gives any firearm to any narcotic addict.

32 (d) Sells or gives any firearm to any person who has
33 been convicted of a felony under the laws of this or any
34 other jurisdiction.

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(e) Sells or gives any firearm to any person who has
 been a patient in a mental hospital within the past 5
 years.

(f) Sells or gives any firearms to any person who is mentally retarded.

Delivers any firearm of a size which may be 6 (q) concealed upon the person, incidental to a sale, without 7 withholding delivery of such firearm for at least 72 hours 8 9 after application for its purchase has been made, or 10 delivers any rifle, shotgun or other long gun, incidental 11 to a sale, without withholding delivery of such rifle, 12 shotgun or other long gun for at least 24 hours after application for its purchase has been made. However, this 13 paragraph (g) does not apply to: (1) the sale of a firearm 14 to a law enforcement officer or a person who desires to 15 16 purchase a firearm for use in promoting the public interest 17 incident to his or her employment as a bank guard, armed truck guard, or other similar employment; (2) a mail order 18 sale of a firearm to a nonresident of Illinois under which 19 20 the firearm is mailed to a point outside the boundaries of Illinois; (3) the sale of a firearm to a nonresident of 21 Illinois while at a firearm showing or display recognized 22 23 by the Illinois Department of State Police; or (4) the sale of a firearm to a dealer licensed as a federal firearms 24 dealer under Section 923 of the federal Gun Control Act of 25 1968 (18 U.S.C. 923); or (5) the sale of a firearm at a gun 26 27 show in accordance with Section 3.1 of the Firearm Owners 28 Identification Card Act.

(h) While holding any license as a dealer, importer, 29 30 manufacturer or pawnbroker under the federal Gun Control 31 Act of 1968, manufactures, sells or delivers to any 32 unlicensed person a handgun having a barrel, slide, frame or receiver which is a die casting of zinc alloy or any 33 other nonhomogeneous metal which will melt or deform at a 34 temperature of less than 800 degrees Fahrenheit. For 35 purposes of this paragraph, (1) "firearm" is defined as in 36

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1 the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act; and (2) 2 "handgun" is defined as a firearm designed to be held and 3 fired by the use of a single hand, and includes a 4 combination of parts from which such a firearm can be 5 assembled.

(i) Sells or gives a firearm of any size to any person under 18 years of age who does not possess a valid Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

9 (j) Sells or gives a firearm while engaged in the 10 business of selling firearms at wholesale or retail without 11 being licensed as a federal firearms dealer under Section 12 923 of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. 923). 13 In this paragraph (j):

A person "engaged in the business" means a person who devotes time, attention, and labor to engaging in the activity as a regular course of trade or business with the principal objective of livelihood and profit, but does not include a person who makes occasional repairs of firearms or who occasionally fits special barrels, stocks, or trigger mechanisms to firearms.

"With the principal objective of livelihood and 21 profit" means that the intent underlying the sale or 22 23 disposition of firearms is predominantly one of obtaining livelihood and pecuniary gain, as opposed to other intents, 24 25 such as improving or liquidating a personal firearms 26 collection; however, proof of profit shall not be required 27 as to a person who engages in the regular and repetitive 28 purchase and disposition of firearms for criminal purposes 29 or terrorism.

30 (k) Sells or transfers ownership of a firearm to a 31 person who does not display to the seller or transferor of 32 the firearm а currently valid Firearm Owner's Identification Card that has previously been issued in the 33 transferee's name by the Department of State Police under 34 the provisions of the Firearm Owners Identification Card 35 Act. This paragraph (k) does not apply to the transfer of a 36

1 firearm to a person who is exempt from the requirement of 2 possessing a Firearm Owner's Identification Card under Section 2 of the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. 3 For the purposes of this Section, a currently valid Firearm 4 5 Owner's Identification Card means (i) a Firearm Owner's Identification Card that has not expired or (ii) if the 6 transferor is licensed as a federal firearms dealer under 7 Section 923 of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 8 9 U.S.C. 923), an approval number issued in accordance with 10 Section 3.1 of the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act 11 shall be proof that the Firearm Owner's Identification Card 12 was valid.

(B) Paragraph (h) of subsection (A) does not include 13 firearms sold within 6 months after enactment of Public Act 14 78-355 (approved August 21, 1973, effective October 1, 1973), 15 16 nor is any firearm legally owned or possessed by any citizen or 17 purchased by any citizen within 6 months after the enactment of Public Act 78-355 subject to confiscation or seizure under the 18 19 provisions of that Public Act. Nothing in Public Act 78-355 20 shall be construed to prohibit the gift or trade of any firearm if that firearm was legally held or acquired within 6 months 21 after the enactment of that Public Act. 22

(C) Sentence.

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(1) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of any of paragraphs (c) through (h) of
subsection (A) commits a Class 4 felony.

(2) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of paragraph (b) or (i) of subsection (A)
commits a Class 3 felony.

30 (3) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
31 in violation of paragraph (a) of subsection (A) commits a
32 Class 2 felony.

(4) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of paragraph (a), (b), or (i) of subsection
(A) in any school, on the real property comprising a
school, within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a

1 school, at a school related activity, or on or within 1,000 feet of any conveyance owned, leased, or contracted by a 2 3 school or school district to transport students to or from school or a school related activity, regardless of the time 4 5 of day or time of year at which the offense was committed, commits a Class 1 felony. Any person convicted of a second 6 or subsequent violation of unlawful sale of firearms in 7 violation of paragraph (a), (b), or (i) of subsection (A) 8 9 in any school, on the real property comprising a school, 10 within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a school, 11 at a school related activity, or on or within 1,000 feet of any conveyance owned, leased, or contracted by a school or 12 school district to transport students to or from school or 13 a school related activity, regardless of the time of day or 14 time of year at which the offense was committed, commits a 15 16 Class 1 felony for which the sentence shall be a term of 17 imprisonment of no less than 5 years and no more than 15 18 years.

(5) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms 19 20 in violation of paragraph (a) or (i) of subsection (A) in residential property owned, operated, or managed by a 21 public housing agency or leased by a public housing agency 22 23 as part of a scattered site or mixed-income development, in a public park, in a courthouse, on residential property 24 owned, operated, or managed by a public housing agency or 25 26 leased by a public housing agency as part of a scattered 27 site or mixed-income development, on the real property 28 comprising any public park, on the real property comprising any courthouse, or on any public way within 1,000 feet of 29 30 the real property comprising any public park, courthouse, 31 or residential property owned, operated, or managed by a 32 public housing agency or leased by a public housing agency as part of a scattered site or mixed-income development 33 commits a Class 2 felony. 34

35 (6) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
 36 in violation of paragraph (j) of subsection (A) commits a

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Class A misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation is a
 Class 4 felony.

3 (7) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
4 in violation of paragraph (k) of subsection (A) commits a
5 Class 4 felony. A third or subsequent conviction for a
6 violation of paragraph (k) of subsection (A) is a Class 1
7 felony.

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(D) For purposes of this Section:

9 "School" means a public or private elementary or secondary10 school, community college, college, or university.

"School related activity" means any sporting, social, academic, or other activity for which students' attendance or participation is sponsored, organized, or funded in whole or in part by a school or school district.

(E) A prosecution for a violation of paragraph (k) of subsection (A) of this Section may be commenced within 6 years after the commission of the offense. A prosecution for a violation of this Section other than paragraph (g) of subsection (A) of this Section may be commenced within 5 years after the commission of the offense defined in the particular paragraph.

22 (Source: P.A. 93-162, eff. 7-10-03; 93-906, eff. 8-11-04.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 24 becoming law.