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To require face to face purchases of ammunition, to require licensing of ammunition dealers, and to require reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Stop Online Ammuni-
5 tion Sales Act of 2012”.

6 **SEC. 2. LIMITATIONS ON PURCHASES OF AMMUNITION.**

7 (a) LICENSING OF AMMUNITION DEALERS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 923(a) of title 18,
9 United States Code, is amended in the matter pre-

1 ceding paragraph (1), in the first sentence, by strik-
 2 ing “, or importing or manufacturing” and inserting
 3 “or”.

4 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 5 921(a)(11)(A) of title 18, United States Code, is
 6 amended by inserting “or ammunition” after “fire-
 7 arms”.

8 (b) REQUIREMENT FOR FACE TO FACE SALES OF
 9 AND LICENSING TO SELL AMMUNITION.—Section 922 of
 10 title 18, United States Code, is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

12 (A) by striking “for any person—” and all
 13 that follows through “(A) except” and inserting
 14 “(A) for any person except”; and

15 (B) by striking subparagraph (B) and in-
 16 serting the following:

17 “(B) for—

18 “(i) any person except a licensed importer,
 19 licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer, to—

20 “(I) sell ammunition, except that this
 21 subclause shall not apply to a sale of am-
 22 munition by a person to a licensed im-
 23 porter, licensed manufacturer, or licensed
 24 dealer; or

1 “(II) engage in the business of im-
 2 porting or manufacturing ammunition, or
 3 in the course of such business, to ship,
 4 transport, or receive any ammunition; or

5 “(ii) a licensed importer, licensed manufac-
 6 turer, or licensed dealer to transfer ammunition
 7 to a person unless the licensed importer, li-
 8 censed manufacturer, or licensed dealer has
 9 verified the identity of the transferee by exam-
 10 ining a valid identification document (as defined
 11 in section 1028(d) of this title) of the trans-
 12 feree containing a photograph of the trans-
 13 feree;” and

14 (2) in subsection (b)(5), by striking “or armor-
 15 piercing”.

16 (c) LIMIT ON SHIPPING AND TRANSPORTING OF AM-
 17 MUNITION.—Section 922(a)(2) of title 18, United States
 18 Code, is amended—

19 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
 20 by inserting “, or to ship or transport any ammuni-
 21 tion,” after “any firearm”; and

22 (2) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “or am-
 23 munition” after “a firearm”.

24 (d) RECORDKEEPING REGARDING AMMUNITION.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 923(g) of title 18,
2 United States Code, is amended—

3 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)—

4 (i) in the first sentence, by inserting
5 “or ammunition” after “other disposition
6 of firearms”; and

7 (ii) in the third sentence, by striking
8 “, or any licensed importer or manufac-
9 turer of ammunition,” and inserting “, or
10 any licensed importer, manufacturer, or
11 dealer of ammunition,”; and

12 (B) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end
13 the following:

14 “(C) Each licensee shall prepare a report of multiple
15 sales or other dispositions whenever the licensee sells or
16 otherwise disposes of, at one time or during any 5 consecu-
17 tive business days, more than 1,000 rounds of ammunition
18 to an unlicensed person. The report shall be prepared on
19 a form specified by the Attorney General and forwarded
20 to the office specified thereon and to the department of
21 State police or State law enforcement agency of the State
22 or local law enforcement agency of the local jurisdiction
23 in which the sale or other disposition took place, not later
24 than the close of business on the day that the multiple
25 sale or other disposition occurs.”.

1 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
2 4182(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (re-
3 lating to exemptions relating to firearms) is amend-
4 ed by inserting “and except as provided in para-
5 graph (1)(A) and (3)(C) of section 923(g) of title
6 18, United States Code,” before “no person holding
7 a Federal license”.

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