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SENATE BILL 14-090

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING ELIMINATING THE BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENT

102 FOR A PRIVATE TRANSFER OF A FIREARM BETWEEN PERSONS

103 WHO ARE STEP-RELATIVES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries</u>.)

Under current law, with certain exceptions, before any person who is not a licensed gun dealer transfers or attempts to transfer possession of a firearm to a transferee, he or she must:

Require that a background check be conducted of the

prospective transferee; and

! Obtain approval of a transfer from the Colorado bureau of investigation after a background check has been requested by a licensed gun dealer.

Two existing exceptions to this requirement state that the background check requirement does not apply to a transfer of a firearm:

- ! That is a bona fide gift or loan between immediate family members, which are limited to spouses, parents, children, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, first cousins, aunts, and uncles; or
- ! From a person serving in the armed forces of the United States who will be deployed outside of the United States within the next 30 days to any immediate family member, which is limited to a spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, niece, nephew, first cousin, aunt, and uncle of the person.

The bill expands each of these exceptions to include transfers between persons who are step-relatives.

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SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-112, amend

3 (6) (b) and (6) (i) as follows:

4 18-12-112. Private firearms transfers - background check
5 required - penalty - definitions. (6) The provisions of this section do
6 not apply to:

(b) A transfer that is a bona fide gift or loan between immediate
family members, which are limited to spouses, parents, children, siblings,
grandparents, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, first cousins, aunts, and
uncles, AND STEP-RELATIONS OF SUCH PERSONS;

(i) A transfer of a firearm from a person serving in the armed
forces of the United States who will be deployed outside of the United
States within the next thirty days to any immediate family member, which
is limited to a spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild,
niece, nephew, first cousin, aunt, and uncle, OR STEP-RELATIVE of the

¹ Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

1 person.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.