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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 567**

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**Introduced by Senator Jackson  
(Coauthors: Senators Hancock and Steinberg)**

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An act to amend ~~Section~~ *Sections 17190 and 30900* of the Penal Code, relating to firearms.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 567, as amended, Jackson. Firearms: shotguns.

**Existing**

(1) *Existing* law, for purposes of specified provisions, defines a shotgun as a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed shotgun shell to fire through a smooth bore either a number of projectiles (~~ball shot~~) or a single projectile for each pull of the trigger.

This bill would revise the definition of a shotgun to delete the requirement that it be intended to be fired from the shoulder, and would clarify that the projectile may be fired through either a rifled bore or a smooth bore. This bill would also delete an erroneous cross-reference.

(2) *Existing law requires that, with specified exceptions, any person who, prior to January 1, 2001, lawfully possessed an assault weapon prior to the date it was defined as an assault weapon, and which was not specified as an assault weapon at the time of lawful possession, register the firearm with the Department of Justice. Existing law defines a shotgun with a revolving cylinder as an assault weapon. Existing law permits the Department of Justice to charge a fee for registration of up*

to \$20 per person but not to exceed the actual processing costs of the department. Existing law, after the department establishes fees sufficient to reimburse the department for processing costs, requires fees charged to increase at a rate not to exceed the legislatively approved annual cost-of-living adjustment for the department's budget or as otherwise increased through the Budget Act. Existing law, the Administrative Procedure Act, establishes the requirements for the adoption, publication, review, and implementation of regulations by state agencies.

This bill would require any person who, from January 1, 2001, to December 31, 2013, inclusive, lawfully acquired a shotgun with a revolving cylinder, as defined, including those firearms subject to the revised definition of "shotgun," to register the firearm before July 1, 2014, with the department pursuant to those procedures that the department may establish. The bill would require registrations to be submitted electronically via the Internet, as specified. The bill would require the registration to contain specified information, including, but not limited to, a description of the firearm that identifies it uniquely and specified information about the registrant. The bill would authorize the department to adopt regulations for the purpose of carrying out those provisions and would exempt those regulations from the Administrative Procedure Act. The bill would authorize the department to charge a fee for registration of each assault weapon of up to \$20 per firearm but not to exceed the reasonable processing costs of the department, as specified. The bill would require payment be made by debit or credit card, as specified. The bill would also make technical and conforming changes.

By changing the definition of an existing crime, this bill imposes a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 17190 of the Penal Code is amended to  
2 read:

1 17190. As used in Sections 16530, 16640, 16870, and 17180,  
2 Sections 17720 to 17730, inclusive, Section 17740, Section 30215,  
3 and Article 1 (commencing with Section 33210) of Chapter 8 of  
4 Division 10 of Title 4, “shotgun” means a weapon designed or  
5 redesigned, made or remade, and designed or redesigned and made  
6 or remade to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed shotgun  
7 shell to fire through a smooth bore or rifled bore either a number  
8 of projectiles (ball shot) or a single projectile for each pull of the  
9 trigger.

10 *SEC. 2. Section 30900 of the Penal Code is amended to read:*

11 30900. (a) (1) Any person who, prior to June 1, 1989, lawfully  
12 possessed an assault weapon, as defined in former Section 12276,  
13 as added by Section 3 of Chapter 19 of the Statutes of 1989, shall  
14 register the firearm by January 1, 1991, and any person who  
15 lawfully possessed an assault weapon prior to the date it was  
16 specified as an assault weapon pursuant to former Section 12276.5,  
17 as added by Section 3 of Chapter 19 of the Statutes of 1989 or as  
18 amended by Section 1 of Chapter 874 of the Statutes of 1990 or  
19 Section 3 of Chapter 954 of the Statutes of 1991, shall register the  
20 firearm within 90 days with the Department of Justice pursuant to  
21 those procedures that the department may establish.

22 (b)

23 (2) Except as provided in Section 30600, any person who  
24 lawfully possessed an assault weapon prior to the date it was  
25 defined as an assault weapon pursuant to former Section 12276.1,  
26 as it read in Section 7 of Chapter 129 of the Statutes of 1999, and  
27 which was not specified as an assault weapon under former Section  
28 12276, as added by Section 3 of Chapter 19 of the Statutes of 1989  
29 or as amended at any time before January 1, 2001, or former  
30 Section 12276.5, as added by Section 3 of Chapter 19 of the  
31 Statutes of 1989 or as amended at any time before January 1, 2001,  
32 shall register the firearm by January 1, 2001, with the department  
33 pursuant to those procedures that the department may establish.

34 (c)

35 (3) The registration shall contain a description of the firearm  
36 that identifies it uniquely, including all identification marks, the  
37 full name, address, date of birth, and thumbprint of the owner, and  
38 any other information that the department may deem appropriate.

39 ~~(d) The department may charge a fee for registration of up to~~  
40 ~~twenty dollars (\$20) per person but not to exceed the actual~~

1 processing costs of the department. After the department establishes  
2 fees sufficient to reimburse the department for processing costs,  
3 fees charged shall increase at a rate not to exceed the legislatively  
4 approved annual cost-of-living adjustment for the department's  
5 budget or as otherwise increased through the Budget Act. The fees  
6 shall be deposited into the Dealers' Record of Sale Special  
7 Account.

8 (b) (1) Any person who, from January 1, 2001, to December  
9 31, 2013, inclusive, lawfully acquired a shotgun with a revolving  
10 cylinder, as defined in Sections 17190 and 30515 and who, after  
11 January 1, 2014, lawfully possesses that firearm, shall register  
12 the firearm before July 1, 2014, with the department pursuant to  
13 those procedures that the department may establish by regulation  
14 pursuant to paragraph (4).

15 (2) Registrations shall be submitted electronically via the  
16 Internet utilizing a public-facing application made available by  
17 the department.

18 (3) The registration shall contain a description of the firearm  
19 that identifies it uniquely, including all identification marks, the  
20 date that the firearm was acquired, the name and address of the  
21 individual or business from whom the firearm was acquired, the  
22 registrant's full name, address, telephone number, date of birth,  
23 sex, height, weight, eye color, hair color, and California Driver's  
24 License or Identification number.

25 (4) The department may establish regulations for the purpose  
26 of implementing this subdivision. These regulations shall be exempt  
27 from the Administrative Procedure Act.

28 (c) The department may charge a fee for registration of each  
29 firearm of up to twenty dollars (\$20) but not to exceed the  
30 reasonable processing costs of the department. After the  
31 department establishes fees sufficient to reimburse the department  
32 for reasonable processing costs, fees charged shall increase at a  
33 rate not to exceed the department's reasonable processing costs.  
34 The fees shall be paid by debit or credit card at the time the  
35 electronic registration is submitted to the department and shall  
36 be deposited into the Dealer's Record of Sale Special Account.

37 ~~SEC. 2.~~

38 SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
39 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because  
40 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school

1 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or  
2 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty  
3 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of  
4 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within  
5 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California  
6 Constitution.

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