

SENATE BILL 145

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the sale,
exchange, or transfer of firearms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1316, is amended by deleting subsection (l) and substituting instead the following:

(l)

(1) The following transactions or transfers are exempt from the criminal history record check requirement of subdivision (c)(3):

(A) Transactions between licensed:

(i) Importers;

(ii) Manufacturers;

(iii) Dealers; and

(iv) Collectors who meet the requirements of subsection

(b) and certify prior to the transaction the legal and licensed status of both parties;

(B) Transactions or transfers between a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer and a bona fide law enforcement agency or the agency's personnel. However, all other requirements of subsection (c) are applicable to a transaction or transfer under this subdivision (l)(1)(B); and

(C) Transactions by a gun dealer, as defined in subdivision (b)(2), making occasional sales, exchanges, or transfers of firearms that comprise all or part of the gun dealer's personal collection of firearms.

(2) The burden of proving the legality of any transaction or transfer under this subsection (l) is upon the transferor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.