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AN ACT Relating to removing restrictions on the right to bear 1 2 arms and ensuring personal protection for Washington citizens; 3 amending RCW 9.41.090, 9.41.094, 9.41.097, 9.41.0975, 9.41.110, 9.41.124, 9.41.129, 9.41.220, 9.41.240, 43.06.220, 4 9.41.122, 9.41.345, 10.99.040, 7.90.090, 7.90.110, 7.92.100, 5 7.92.120, 26.50.070, and 26.09.060; reenacting and amending RCW 9.41.010, 6 9.41.300, 9.41.047, 10.99.030, and 10.14.080; adding a new section to 8 chapter 9.41 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 9.41.049, 9.41.092, 9.41.113, 9.41.115, 9.41.137, 9.41.139, 9.41.360, 9.41.365, 9 71.05.182, and 82.08.833; and repealing 2019 c 244 s 2 (uncodified). 10

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

12 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. It is an absolute and paramount right for all people to bear arms in self-defense, as provided by the Second 13 Amendment of the United States Constitution and Article I, section 24 14 15 of the state Constitution. This right is necessary to ensure the 16 safety and protection of the people, particularly those groups who 17 have been subject to widespread and historical suppression of their 18 ability to exercise the fundamental rights held by all, such as 19 women, people of color, and other minority groups. Any attempt to 20 limit this right is a direct act entirely intended to infringe upon 21 the ability of the people to ensure the safety of themselves and

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others, prevent invasions of their property and privacy, and to protect themselves from tyrannical government control.

The right to keep and bear arms is a fundamental freedom that existed long before the founding of this nation and state and should continue to be protected, nurtured, and expanded. It is the intent of the legislature to promote freedom, defend this essential right, and to protect public safety by enacting the Washington personal protection act.

It is the intent of the legislature to ensure laws that would infringe or abridge this fundamental right will not be enacted or adopted in any fashion. Further, the legislature intends to roll back any and all statutes and rules that restrict or limit the right to bear arms. This includes the provisions of Initiative Measure No. 1639 and Initiative Measure No. 594, as well as the RCW statutes that restrict access to pistols, rifles, bump stocks, high capacity magazines, and all other firearms, firearm accessories, and ammunition.

Sec. 2. RCW 9.41.010 and 2019 c 243 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

- (1) "Antique firearm" means a firearm or replica of a firearm not designed or redesigned for using rim fire or conventional center fire ignition with fixed ammunition and manufactured in or before 1898, including any matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system and also any firearm using fixed ammunition manufactured in or before 1898, for which ammunition is no longer manufactured in the United States and is not readily available in the ordinary channels of commercial trade.
- (2) "Barrel length" means the distance from the bolt face of a closed action down the length of the axis of the bore to the crown of the muzzle, or in the case of a barrel with attachments to the end of any legal device permanently attached to the end of the muzzle.
- (3) "Bump-fire stock" means a butt stock designed to be attached to a semiautomatic firearm with the effect of increasing the rate of fire achievable with the semiautomatic firearm to that of a fully automatic firearm by using the energy from the recoil of the firearm to generate reciprocating action that facilitates repeated activation of the trigger.

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(4) "Crime of violence" means:

- (a) Any of the following felonies, as now existing or hereafter amended: Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or an attempt to commit a class A felony, criminal solicitation of or criminal conspiracy to commit a class A felony, manslaughter in the first degree, manslaughter in the second degree, indecent liberties if committed by forcible compulsion, kidnapping in the second degree, arson in the second degree, assault in the second degree, assault of a child in the second degree, extortion in the first degree, burglary in the second degree, residential burglary, and robbery in the second degree;
- (b) Any conviction for a felony offense in effect at any time prior to June 6, 1996, which is comparable to a felony classified as a crime of violence in (a) of this subsection; and
- (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense comparable to a felony classified as a crime of violence under (a) or (b) of this subsection.
- (5) "Curio or relic" has the same meaning as provided in 27 C.F.R. Sec. 478.11.
- (6) "Dealer" means a person engaged in the business of selling firearms at wholesale or retail who has, or is required to have, a federal firearms license under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a). A person who does not have, and is not required to have, a federal firearms license under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a), is not a dealer if that person makes only occasional sales, exchanges, or purchases of firearms for the enhancement of a personal collection or for a hobby, or sells all or part of his or her personal collection of firearms.
- (7) "Family or household member" means "family" or "household member" as used in RCW ((10.99.020)) 26.50.010.
- (8) "Felony" means any felony offense under the laws of this state or any federal or out-of-state offense comparable to a felony offense under the laws of this state.
- (9) "Felony firearm offender" means a person who has previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state of any felony firearm offense. A person is not a felony firearm offender under this chapter if any and all qualifying offenses have been the subject of an expungement, pardon, annulment, certificate, or rehabilitation, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of the rehabilitation of the person convicted or a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of innocence.

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- 1 (10) "Felony firearm offense" means:
- 2 (a) Any felony offense that is a violation of this chapter;
- 3 (b) A violation of RCW 9A.36.045;

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- (c) A violation of RCW 9A.56.300;
 - (d) A violation of RCW 9A.56.310;
- 6 (e) Any felony offense if the offender was armed with a firearm 7 in the commission of the offense.
- 8 (11) "Firearm" means a weapon or device from which a projectile 9 or projectiles may be fired by an explosive such as gunpowder. 10 "Firearm" does not include a flare gun or other pyrotechnic visual 11 distress signaling device, or a powder-actuated tool or other device 12 designed solely to be used for construction purposes.
- 13 (12) "Firearm accessories" means items that are used in
 14 conjunction with, or mounted upon, a firearm, but are not essential
 15 to the basic function of a firearm including, but not limited to,
 16 telescopic or laser sights, magazines, flash or sound suppressors,
 17 folding or aftermarket stocks and grips, speedloaders, ammunition
 18 carriers, and lights for target illumination.
- 19 <u>(13)</u> "Gun" has the same meaning as firearm.
- (((13))) <u>(14)</u> "Law enforcement officer" includes a general authority Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020, or a specially commissioned Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020. "Law enforcement officer" also includes a limited authority Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020 if such officer is duly authorized by his or her employer to carry a concealed pistol.
- $((\frac{(14)}{(14)}))$ <u>(15)</u> "Lawful permanent resident" has the same meaning afforded a person "lawfully admitted for permanent residence" in 8 U.S.C. Sec. 1101(a)(20).
- 30 (((15))) (16) "Licensed collector" means a person who is 31 federally licensed under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(b).
- 32 $((\frac{(16)}{(16)}))$ <u>(17)</u> "Licensed dealer" means a person who is federally 13 licensed under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a).
- 34 $((\frac{17}{17}))$ <u>(18)</u> "Loaded" means:
- 35 (a) There is a cartridge in the chamber of the firearm;
- 36 (b) Cartridges are in a clip that is locked in place in the 37 firearm;
- 38 (c) There is a cartridge in the cylinder of the firearm, if the 39 firearm is a revolver;

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- 1 (d) There is a cartridge in the tube or magazine that is inserted 2 in the action; or
 - (e) There is a ball in the barrel and the firearm is capped or primed if the firearm is a muzzle loader.
 - (((18))) <u>(19)</u> "Machine gun" means any firearm known as a machine gun, mechanical rifle, submachine gun, or any other mechanism or instrument not requiring that the trigger be pressed for each shot and having a reservoir clip, disc, drum, belt, or other separable mechanical device for storing, carrying, or supplying ammunition which can be loaded into the firearm, mechanism, or instrument, and fired therefrom at the rate of five or more shots per second.
- 12 $((\frac{(19)}{(19)}))$ "Manufacture" means, with respect to a firearm, the fabrication or construction of a firearm.
- 14 $((\frac{(20)}{(20)}))$ <u>(21)</u> "Nonimmigrant alien" means a person defined as such in 8 U.S.C. Sec. 1101(a)(15).
- 16 $((\frac{(21)}{(21)}))$ <u>(22)</u> "Person" means any individual, corporation, 17 company, association, firm, partnership, club, organization, society, 18 joint stock company, or other legal entity.
- 19 $((\frac{(22)}{)})$ <u>(23)</u> "Pistol" means any firearm with a barrel less than 20 sixteen inches in length, or is designed to be held and fired by the 21 use of a single hand.
 - (((23))) <u>(24)</u> "Rifle" means a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed metallic cartridge to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger.
- $((\frac{(24)}{)})$ <u>(25)</u> "Sale" and "sell" mean the actual approval of the delivery of a firearm in consideration of payment or promise of payment.
 - (((25) "Secure gun storage" means:

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- 31 (a) A locked box, gun safe, or other secure locked storage space 32 that is designed to prevent unauthorized use or discharge of a 33 firearm; and
 - (b) The act of keeping an unloaded firearm stored by such means.
- 35 (26) "Semiautomatic assault rifle" means any rifle which utilizes
 36 a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired
 37 cartridge case and chamber the next round, and which requires a
 38 separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge.

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"Semiautomatic assault rifle" does not include antique firearms, any firearm that has been made permanently inoperable, or any firearm that is manually operated by bolt, pump, lever, or slide action.

(27))) (26) "Serious offense" means any of the following felonies or a felony attempt to commit any of the following felonies, as now existing or hereafter amended:

- (a) Any crime of violence;
- (b) Any felony violation of the uniform controlled substances act, chapter 69.50 RCW, that is classified as a class B felony or that has a maximum term of imprisonment of at least ten years;
 - (c) Child molestation in the second degree;
- (d) Incest when committed against a child under age fourteen;
- 13 (e) Indecent liberties;

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- 14 (f) Leading organized crime;
- 15 (g) Promoting prostitution in the first degree;
- 16 (h) Rape in the third degree;
- 17 (i) Drive-by shooting;
 - (j) Sexual exploitation;
 - (k) Vehicular assault, when caused by the operation or driving of a vehicle by a person while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug or by the operation or driving of a vehicle in a reckless manner;
 - (1) Vehicular homicide, when proximately caused by the driving of any vehicle by any person while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner;
- 27 (m) Any other class B felony offense with a finding of sexual motivation, as "sexual motivation" is defined under RCW 9.94A.030;
- 29 (n) Any other felony with a deadly weapon verdict under RCW 30 9.94A.825; or
- 31 (o) Any felony offense in effect at any time prior to June 6, 32 1996, that is comparable to a serious offense, or any federal or out-33 of-state conviction for an offense that under the laws of this state 34 would be a felony classified as a serious offense((; or
 - (p) Any felony conviction under RCW 9.41.115)).
- 36 (((28))) <u>(27)</u> "Short-barreled rifle" means a rifle having one or 37 more barrels less than sixteen inches in length and any weapon made 38 from a rifle by any means of modification if such modified weapon has 39 an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

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 $((\frac{(29)}{(29)}))$ "Short-barreled shotgun" means a shotgun having one or more barrels less than eighteen inches in length and any weapon made from a shotgun by any means of modification if such modified weapon has an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

(((30))) (29) "Shotgun" means a weapon with one or more barrels, designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed shotgun shell to fire through a smooth bore either a number of ball shot or a single projectile for each single pull of the trigger.

(((31))) (30) "Transfer" means the intended delivery of a firearm to another person without consideration of payment or promise of payment including, but not limited to, gifts and loans. "Transfer" does not include the delivery of a firearm owned or leased by an entity licensed or qualified to do business in the state of Washington to, or return of such a firearm by, any of that entity's employees or agents, defined to include volunteers participating in an honor guard, for lawful purposes in the ordinary course of business.

 $((\frac{32}{10}))$ (31) "Undetectable firearm" means any firearm that is not as detectable as 3.7 ounces of 17-4 PH stainless steel by walk-through metal detectors or magnetometers commonly used at airports or any firearm where the barrel, the slide or cylinder, or the frame or receiver of the firearm would not generate an image that accurately depicts the shape of the part when examined by the types of X-ray machines commonly used at airports.

(((33))) (32) "Unlicensed person" means any person who is not a licensed dealer under this chapter.

(((34))) <u>(33)</u> "Untraceable firearm" means any firearm manufactured after July 1, 2019, that is not an antique firearm and that cannot be traced by law enforcement by means of a serial number affixed to the firearm by a federally licensed manufacturer or importer.

- **Sec. 3.** RCW 9.41.090 and 2019 c 244 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- 36 (1) In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, no dealer may deliver a pistol to the purchaser thereof until((\div)
- $\frac{\text{(a) The}}{\text{(b)}}$ the dealer is notified in writing by $(\frac{\text{(i)}}{\text{(i)}})$ the chief of police or the sheriff of the jurisdiction in which the purchaser

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- resides that the purchaser is eligible to possess a pistol under RCW 9.41.040 and that the application to purchase is approved by the chief of police or sheriff((; or (ii) the state that the purchaser is eligible to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040, as provided in subsection (3) (b) of this section; or
- (b) The requirements or time periods in RCW 9.41.092 have been satisfied)).
- (2) ((In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, no dealer may deliver a semiautomatic assault rifle to the purchaser thereof until:
- (a) The purchaser provides proof that he or she has completed a recognized firearm safety training program within the last five years that, at a minimum, includes instruction on:
 - (i) Basic firearms safety rules;
- 15 (ii) Firearms and children, including secure gun storage and 16 talking to children about gun safety;
 - (iii) Firearms and suicide prevention;
- 18 (iv) Secure gun storage to prevent unauthorized access and use;
- 19 (v) Safe handling of firearms; and

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- 20 (vi) State and federal firearms laws, including prohibited 21 firearms transfers.
 - The training must be sponsored by a federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency, a college or university, a nationally recognized organization that customarily offers firearms training, or a firearms training school with instructors certified by a nationally recognized organization that customarily offers firearms training. The proof of training shall be in the form of a certification that states under the penalty of perjury the training included the minimum requirements; and
 - (b) The dealer is notified in writing by (i) the chief of police or the sheriff of the jurisdiction in which the purchaser resides that the purchaser is eligible to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040 and that the application to purchase is approved by the chief of police or sheriff; or (ii) the state that the purchaser is eligible to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040, as provided in subsection (3) (b) of this section; or
- 37 (c) The requirements or time periods in RCW 9.41.092 have been satisfied.
- (3) (3) (a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, in determining whether the purchaser meets the requirements of RCW

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9.41.040, the chief of police or sheriff, or the designee of either, shall check with ((the national instant criminal background check system, provided for by the Brady handgun violence prevention act (18 U.S.C. Sec. 921 et seq.),)) the Washington state patrol electronic database, the health care authority electronic database, and with other agencies or resources as appropriate, to determine whether the applicant is ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm.

(b) ((The state, through the legislature or initiative process, may enact a statewide firearms background check system equivalent to, or more comprehensive than, the check required by (a) of this subsection to determine that a purchaser is eligible to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040.)) Once a state system is established, a dealer shall use the state system and national instant criminal background check system, provided for by the Brady handgun violence prevention act (18 U.S.C. Sec. 921 et seq.), to make criminal background checks of applicants to purchase firearms.

(($\frac{(+4)}{(+)}$)) (3) In any case under this section where the applicant has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest from any court of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor, the dealer shall hold the delivery of the pistol (($\frac{1}{(er-semiautomatic-assault-rifle}$)) until the warrant for arrest is served and satisfied by appropriate court appearance. The local jurisdiction for purposes of the sale(($\frac{1}{(er-semiautomatic-assault-rifle})$) shall confirm the existence of outstanding warrants within seventy-two hours after notification of the application to purchase a pistol (($\frac{1}{(er-semiautomatic-assault-rifle})$) is received. The local jurisdiction shall also immediately confirm the satisfaction of the warrant on request of the dealer so that the hold may be released if the warrant was for an offense other than an offense making a person ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a (($\frac{1}{(er-sem)}$)) pistol.

(((5) In any case where the chief or sheriff of the local jurisdiction, or the state pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this section, has reasonable grounds based on the following circumstances:

(a) Open criminal charges, (b) pending criminal proceedings, (c) pending commitment proceedings, (d) an outstanding warrant for an offense making a person ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm, or (e) an arrest for an offense making a person ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm, if the records of disposition have not yet been reported or entered sufficiently to determine eligibility to purchase a firearm, the local jurisdiction

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- or the state may hold the sale and delivery of the pistol or semiautomatic assault rifle up to thirty days in order to confirm existing records in this state or elsewhere. After thirty days, the hold will be lifted unless an extension of the thirty days is approved by a local district court, superior court, or municipal court for good cause shown. A dealer shall be notified of each hold placed on the sale by local law enforcement or the state and of any application to the court for additional hold period to confirm records or confirm the identity of the applicant.
- (6)) (4)(a) At the time of applying for the purchase of a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)), the purchaser shall sign in triplicate and deliver to the dealer an application containing:
- 13 (i) His or her full name, residential address, date and place of 14 birth, race, and gender;
 - (ii) The date and hour of the application;

- 16 (iii) The applicant's driver's license number or state 17 identification card number;
 - (iv) A description of the pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) including the make, model, caliber and manufacturer's number if available at the time of applying for the purchase of a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)). If the manufacturer's number is not available ((at the time of applying for the purchase of a pistol or semiautomatic assault rifle)), the application may be processed, but delivery of the pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) to the purchaser may not occur unless the manufacturer's number is recorded on the application by the dealer and transmitted to the chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county in which the purchaser resides((, or the state pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this section)); and
- 30 (v) A statement that the purchaser is eligible to purchase and possess a ((firearm)) pistol under ((state and federal law; and
 - (vi) If purchasing a semiautomatic assault rifle, a statement by the applicant under penalty of perjury that the applicant has completed a recognized firearm safety training program within the last five years, as required by subsection (2) of this section)) RCW 9.41.040.
- 37 (b) The application shall contain ((two)) <u>a</u> warning((s)) 38 substantially stated as follows:

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 $((\frac{1}{2}))$ CAUTION: Although state and local laws do not differ, federal law and state law on the possession of firearms differ. If you are prohibited by federal law from possessing a firearm, you may be prosecuted in federal court. State permission to purchase a firearm is not a defense to a federal prosecution (($\frac{1}{2}$) and

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(ii) CAUTION: The presence of a firearm in the home has been associated with an increased risk of death to self and others, including an increased risk of suicide, death during domestic violence incidents, and unintentional deaths to children and others)).

The purchaser shall be given a copy of the department of fish and wildlife pamphlet on the legal limits of the use of firearms and firearms safety, and the fact that local laws and ordinances on firearms are preempted by state law and must be consistent with state law.

- (c) The dealer shall, by the end of the business day, sign and attach his or her address and deliver a copy of the application and such other documentation as required under subsection ((s)) (1) ((and)(2))) of this section to the chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county of which the purchaser is a resident ((, or the state pursuant to subsection (3) (b) of this section)). The triplicate shall be retained by the dealer for six years. The dealer shall deliver the pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) to the purchaser following the period of time specified in this chapter unless the dealer is notified of ((an investigative hold under subsection (5) of this section in writing by the chief of police of the municipality, the sheriff of the county, or the state, whichever is applicable, or of)) the denial of the purchaser's application to purchase and the grounds thereof. The application shall not be denied unless the purchaser is not eligible to purchase or possess ((the firearm)) a pistol under ((state)) RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045 or federal law.
- (d) The chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county((, or the state pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this section,)) shall retain or destroy applications to purchase a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) in accordance with the requirements of 18 U.S.C. Sec. 922.
- (((7)(a) To help offset the administrative costs of implementing this section as it relates to new requirements for semiautomatic

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- assault rifles, the department of licensing may require the dealer to
 charge each semiautomatic assault rifle purchaser or transferee a fee
 not to exceed twenty-five dollars, except that the fee may be
 adjusted at the beginning of each biennium to levels not to exceed
 the percentage increase in the consumer price index for all urban
 consumers, CPI-W, or a successor index, for the previous biennium as
 calculated by the United States department of labor.
- 8 (b) The fee under (a) of this subsection shall be no more than is necessary to fund the following:
- 10 (i) The state for the cost of meeting its obligations under this section;
- (ii) The health care authority, mental health institutions, and other health care facilities for state-mandated costs resulting from the reporting requirements imposed by RCW 9.41.097(1); and
- (iii) Local law enforcement agencies for state-mandated local costs resulting from the requirements set forth under RCW 9.41.090 and this section.
- (8)) (5) A person who knowingly makes a false statement regarding identity or eligibility requirements on the application to purchase a ((firearm)) pistol is guilty of false swearing under RCW 9A.72.040.
- 22 $((\frac{(9)}{)})$ <u>(6)</u> This section does not apply to sales to licensed dealers for resale or to the sale of antique firearms.
- Sec. 4. RCW 9.41.094 and 2019 c 3 s 7 (Initiative Measure No. 1639) are each amended to read as follows:

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- A signed application to purchase a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) shall constitute a waiver of confidentiality and written request that the health care authority, mental health institutions, and other health care facilities release, to an inquiring court or law enforcement agency, information relevant to the applicant's eligibility to purchase a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) to an inquiring court or law enforcement agency.
- 33 **Sec. 5.** RCW 9.41.097 and 2019 c 3 s 8 (Initiative Measure No. 34 1639) are each amended to read as follows:
- 35 (1) The health care authority, mental health institutions, and other health care facilities shall, upon request of a court((τ)) or 1 aw enforcement agency, ($(\sigma + \tau)$) supply such relevant information as is necessary to determine the eligibility of a person

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- to possess a ((firearm)) pistol or to be issued a concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.070 or to purchase a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) under RCW 9.41.090.
- 4 (2) Mental health information received by: (a) The department of licensing pursuant to RCW 9.41.047 or 9.41.173; (b) an issuing authority pursuant to RCW 9.41.047 or 9.41.070; (c) a chief of police or sheriff pursuant to RCW 9.41.090 or 9.41.173; or (d) a court or law enforcement agency pursuant to subsection (1) of this section((÷ or (e) the state pursuant to RCW 9.41.090)), shall not be disclosed except as provided in RCW 42.56.240(4).
- Sec. 6. RCW 9.41.0975 and 2019 c 3 s 9 (Initiative Measure No. 12 1639) are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) The state, local governmental entities, any public or private agency, and the employees of any state or local governmental entity or public or private agency, acting in good faith, are immune from liability:
- 17 (a) For failure to prevent the sale or transfer of a firearm to a 18 person whose receipt or possession of the firearm is unlawful;
- 19 (b) For preventing the sale or transfer of a firearm to a person 20 who may lawfully receive or possess a firearm;
- 21 (c) For issuing a concealed pistol license or alien firearm 22 license to a person ineligible for such a license;
- 23 (d) For failing to issue a concealed pistol license or alien 24 firearm license to a person eligible for such a license;
- 25 (e) For revoking or failing to revoke an issued concealed pistol 26 license or alien firearm license;
 - (f) For errors in preparing or transmitting information as part of determining a person's eligibility to receive or possess a firearm, or eligibility for a concealed pistol license or alien firearm license;
- 31 (g) For issuing a dealer's license to a person ineligible for 32 such a license; or
- 33 (h) For failing to issue a dealer's license to a person eligible 34 for such a license.
- 35 (2) An application may be made to a court of competent 36 jurisdiction for a writ of mandamus:
- 37 (a) Directing an issuing agency to issue a concealed pistol 38 license or alien firearm license wrongfully refused;

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1 (b) Directing a law enforcement agency to approve an application 2 to purchase ((a pistol or semiautomatic assault rifle)) wrongfully 3 denied;

- (c) Directing that erroneous information resulting either in the wrongful refusal to issue a concealed pistol license or alien firearm license or in the wrongful denial of a purchase application ((for a pistol or semiautomatic assault rifle)) be corrected; or
- 8 (d) Directing a law enforcement agency to approve a dealer's 9 license wrongfully denied.

The application for the writ may be made in the county in which the application for a concealed pistol license or alien firearm license or to purchase a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) was made, or in Thurston county, at the discretion of the petitioner. A court shall provide an expedited hearing for an application brought under this subsection $((\frac{2}{2}))$ for a writ of mandamus. A person granted a writ of mandamus under this subsection $((\frac{2}{2}))$ shall be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

- Sec. 7. RCW 9.41.110 and 2019 c 3 s 10 (Initiative Measure No. 19 1639) are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) No dealer may sell or otherwise transfer, or expose for sale or transfer, or have in his or her possession with intent to sell, or otherwise transfer, any pistol without being licensed as provided in this section.
 - (2) No dealer may sell or otherwise transfer, or expose for sale or transfer, or have in his or her possession with intent to sell, or otherwise transfer, any firearm other than a pistol without being licensed as provided in this section.
 - (3) No dealer may sell or otherwise transfer, or expose for sale or transfer, or have in his or her possession with intent to sell, or otherwise transfer, any ammunition without being licensed as provided in this section.
 - (4) The duly constituted licensing authorities of any city, town, or political subdivision of this state shall grant licenses in forms prescribed by the director of licensing effective for not more than one year from the date of issue permitting the licensee to sell firearms within this state subject to the following conditions, for breach of any of which the license shall be forfeited and the licensee subject to punishment as provided in RCW 9.41.010 through 9.41.810. A licensing authority shall forward a copy of each license

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granted to the department of licensing. The department of licensing shall notify the department of revenue of the name and address of each dealer licensed under this section.

- (5) (a) A licensing authority shall, within thirty days after the filing of an application of any person for a dealer's license, determine whether to grant the license. However, if the applicant does not have a valid permanent Washington driver's license or Washington state identification card, or has not been a resident of the state for the previous consecutive ninety days, the licensing authority shall have up to sixty days to determine whether to issue a license. No person shall qualify for a license under this section without first receiving a federal firearms license and undergoing fingerprinting and a background check. In addition, no person ineligible to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040 or ineligible for a concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.070 shall qualify for a dealer's license.
- (b) A dealer shall require every employee who may sell a firearm in the course of his or her employment to undergo fingerprinting and a background check. An employee must be eligible to possess a firearm, and must not have been convicted of a crime that would make the person ineligible for a concealed pistol license, before being permitted to sell a firearm. Every employee shall comply with requirements concerning purchase applications and restrictions on delivery of pistols ((or semiautomatic assault rifles)) that are applicable to dealers.
- (6)(a) Except as otherwise provided in (b) of this subsection, the business shall be carried on only in the building designated in the license. For the purpose of this section, advertising firearms for sale shall not be considered the carrying on of business.
- (b) A dealer may conduct business temporarily at a location other than the building designated in the license, if the temporary location is within Washington state and is the location of a gun show sponsored by a national, state, or local organization, or an affiliate of any such organization, devoted to the collection, competitive use, or other sporting use of firearms in the community. Nothing in this subsection (((6)(b))) authorizes a dealer to conduct business in or from a motorized or towed vehicle.

In conducting business temporarily at a location other than the building designated in the license, the dealer shall comply with all other requirements imposed on dealers by RCW 9.41.090, 9.41.100, and

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this section. The license of a dealer who fails to comply with the requirements of RCW 9.41.080 and 9.41.090 and subsection (8) of this section while conducting business at a temporary location shall be revoked, and the dealer shall be permanently ineligible for a dealer's license.

- (7) The license or a copy thereof, certified by the issuing authority, shall be displayed on the premises in the area where firearms are sold, or at the temporary location, where it can easily be read.
- (8) (a) No pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) may be sold:
 (i) In violation of any provisions of RCW 9.41.010 through 9.41.810;
 nor (ii) may a pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) be sold
 under any circumstances unless the purchaser is personally known to
 the dealer or shall present clear evidence of his or her identity.
- (b) A dealer who sells or delivers any firearm in violation of RCW 9.41.080 is guilty of a class C felony. In addition to any other penalty provided for by law, the dealer is subject to mandatory permanent revocation of his or her dealer's license and permanent ineligibility for a dealer's license.
- (c) The license fee for pistols shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars. The license fee for firearms other than pistols shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars. The license fee for ammunition shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars. Any dealer who obtains any license under subsection (1), (2), or (3) of this section may also obtain the remaining licenses without payment of any fee. The fees received under this section shall be deposited in the state general fund.
- (9) (a) A true record in triplicate shall be made of every pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) sold, in a book kept for the purpose, the form of which may be prescribed by the director of licensing and shall be personally signed by the purchaser and by the person effecting the sale, each in the presence of the other, and shall contain the date of sale, the caliber, make, model and manufacturer's number of the weapon, the name, address, occupation, and place of birth of the purchaser, and a statement signed by the purchaser that he or she is not ineligible under ((state or federal law)) RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm.
- (b) One copy shall within six hours be sent by certified mail to the chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county of which the purchaser is a resident((τ or the state pursuant to RCW 9.41.090)); the duplicate the dealer shall within seven days send to

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- the director of licensing; the triplicate the dealer shall retain for
 six years.
- 3 (10) Subsections (2) through (9) of this section shall not apply 4 to sales at wholesale.
- 5 (11) The dealer's licenses authorized to be issued by this 6 section are general licenses covering all sales by the licensee 7 within the effective period of the licenses. The department shall 8 provide a single application form for dealer's licenses and a single 9 license form which shall indicate the type or types of licenses 10 granted.
- 11 (12) Except as provided in RCW 9.41.090, every city, town, and 12 political subdivision of this state is prohibited from requiring the 13 purchaser to secure a permit to purchase or from requiring the dealer 14 to secure an individual permit for each sale.
- 15 **Sec. 8.** RCW 9.41.122 and 2015 c 1 s 6 are each amended to read 16 as follows:

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- Residents of Washington may purchase rifles and shotguns in a state other than Washington: PROVIDED, That such residents conform to the applicable provisions of the federal gun control act of 1968, Title IV, Pub. L. 90-351 as administered by the United States secretary of the treasury: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That such residents are eligible to purchase or possess such weapons in Washington and in the state in which such purchase is made((: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That when any part of the transaction takes place in Washington, including, but not limited to, internet sales, such residents are subject to the procedures and background checks required by this chapter)).
- Sec. 9. RCW 9.41.124 and 2019 c 3 s 12 (Initiative Measure No. 29 1639) are each amended to read as follows:
- 30 Residents of a state other than Washington may purchase rifles and shotguns ((except those firearms defined as semiautomatic 31 assault rifles,)) in Washington: PROVIDED, That such residents 32 conform to the applicable provisions of the federal gun control act 33 of 1968, Title IV, Pub. L. 90-351 as administered by the United 34 States secretary of the treasury: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That such 35 residents are eligible to purchase or possess such weapons in 36 37 Washington and in the state in which such persons reside((: AND

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- 1 PROVIDED FURTHER, That such residents are subject to the procedures
- 2 and background checks required by this chapter)).
- 3 Sec. 10. RCW 9.41.129 and 2019 c 3 s 14 (Initiative Measure No. 4 1639) are each amended to read as follows:
- The department of licensing ((shall)) may keep copies or records of applications for concealed pistol licenses provided for in RCW 9.41.070, copies or records of applications for alien firearm licenses, copies or records of applications to purchase pistols ((or semiautomatic assault rifles)) provided for in RCW 9.41.090, and copies or records of pistol ((or semiautomatic assault rifle)) transfers provided for in RCW 9.41.110. The copies and records shall
- 12 not be disclosed except as provided in RCW 42.56.240(4).
- 13 **Sec. 11.** RCW 9.41.220 and 2019 c 243 s 4 are each amended to 14 read as follows:
- 15 All machine guns, bump-fire stocks, undetectable firearms, ((short-barreled shotguns, or short-barreled rifles,)) or any part 16 designed and intended solely and exclusively for use in a machine 17 gun, ((short-barreled shotgun, or short-barreled rifle,)) or in 18 converting a weapon into a machine gun, ((short-barreled shotgun, or 19 short-barreled rifle,)) illegally held or illegally possessed, are 20 21 hereby declared to be contraband, and it shall be the duty of all peace officers, and/or any officer or member of the armed forces of 22 23 the United States or the state of Washington, to seize said machine 24 gun, bump-fire stock, undetectable firearm, ((short-barreled shotgun, or short-barreled rifle,)) or parts thereof, wherever and whenever 25 26 found.
- Sec. 12. RCW 9.41.240 and 2019 c 3 s 13 (Initiative Measure No. 1639) are each amended to read as follows:
- (((1) A person under twenty-one years of age may not purchase a pistol or semiautomatic assault rifle, and except as otherwise provided in this chapter, no person may sell or transfer a semiautomatic assault rifle to a person under twenty-one years of age.
- 34 (2))) Unless an exception under RCW 9.41.042, 9.41.050, or 35 9.41.060 applies, a person at least eighteen years of age, but less than twenty-one years of age, may possess a pistol only:
 - $((\frac{a}{a}))$ <u>(1)</u> In the person's place of abode;

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- 1 $((\frac{b}{b}))$ <u>(2)</u> At the person's fixed place of business; or
- 2 (((c))) On real property under his or her control.
- (((3) Except in the places and situations identified in RCW 9.41.042 (1) through (9) and 9.41.060 (1) through (10), a person at least eighteen years of age, but less than twenty-one years of age, may possess a semiautomatic assault rifle only:
 - (a) In the person's place of abode;

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- 8 (b) At the person's fixed place of business;
- 9 (c) On real property under his or her control; or
- (d) For the specific purpose of (i) moving to a new place of 10 abode; (ii) traveling between the person's place of abode and real 11 12 property under his or her control; or (iii) selling or transferring the firearm in accordance with the requirements of this chapter; 13 provided that in all of these situations the semiautomatic assault 14 rifle is unloaded and either in secure gun storage or secured with a 15 16 trigger lock or similar device that is designed to prevent the 17 unauthorized use or discharge of the firearm.))
- 18 **Sec. 13.** RCW 43.06.220 and 2019 c 472 s 2 are each amended to 19 read as follows:
 - (1) The governor, after proclaiming a state of emergency and prior to terminating such, may, in the area described by the proclamation issue an order prohibiting:
 - (a) Any person being on the public streets, $((\Theta r))$ in the public parks, or at any other public place during the hours declared by the governor to be a period of curfew;
 - (b) Any number of persons, as designated by the governor, from assembling or gathering on the public streets, parks, or other open areas of this state, either public or private;
 - (c) The manufacture, transfer, use, possession, or transportation of a molotov cocktail or any other device, instrument, or object designed to explode or produce uncontained combustion;
 - (d) The transporting, possessing, or using of gasoline, kerosene, or combustible, flammable, or explosive liquids or materials in a glass or uncapped container of any kind except in connection with the normal operation of motor vehicles, normal home use, or legitimate commercial use;
 - (e) The sale, purchase, or dispensing of alcoholic beverages;

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(f) The sale, purchase, or dispensing of other commodities or goods, as he or she reasonably believes should be prohibited to help preserve and maintain life, health, property, or the public peace;

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- (g) The use of certain streets, highways, or public ways by the public; and
- (h) Such other activities as he or she reasonably believes should be prohibited to help preserve and maintain life, health, property, or the public peace.
- (2) The governor after proclaiming a state of emergency and prior to terminating such may, in the area described by the proclamation, issue an order or orders concerning waiver or suspension of statutory obligations or limitations in the following areas:
 - (a) Liability for participation in interlocal agreements;
- 15 (b) Inspection fees owed to the department of labor and 16 industries;
 - (c) Application of the family emergency assistance program;
 - (d) Regulations, tariffs, and notice requirements under the jurisdiction of the utilities and transportation commission;
 - (e) Application of tax due dates and penalties relating to collection of taxes;
- 22 (f) Permits for industrial, business, or medical uses of alcohol; 23 and
 - (q) Such other statutory and regulatory obligations limitations prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business, or the orders, rules, or regulations of any state agency if strict compliance with the provision of any statute, order, rule, or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency, unless (i) authority to waive or suspend a specific statutory or regulatory obligation or limitation has been expressly granted to another statewide elected official, (ii) the waiver or suspension would conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition to the allocation of federal funds to the state, or (iii) the waiver or suspension would conflict with the rights, under the First Amendment, of freedom of speech or of the people to peaceably assemble. The governor shall give as much notice as practical to legislative leadership and impacted local governments when issuing orders under this subsection $((\frac{(2)(q)}{})).$

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(3) In imposing the restrictions provided for by RCW 43.06.010, and 43.06.200 through 43.06.270, the governor may impose them for such times, upon such conditions, with such exceptions and in such areas of this state he or she from time to time deems necessary.

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- (4) No order or orders concerning waiver or suspension of 5 6 statutory obligations or limitations under subsection (2) of this section may continue for longer than thirty days unless extended by 7 the legislature through concurrent resolution. If the legislature is 8 not in session, the waiver or suspension of statutory obligations or 9 limitations may be extended in writing by the leadership of the 10 11 senate and the house of representatives until the legislature can 12 extend the waiver or suspension by concurrent resolution. For purposes of this section, "leadership of the senate and the house of 13 14 representatives" means the majority and minority leaders of the senate and the speaker and the minority leader of the house of 15 16 representatives.
- 17 (5) Any person willfully violating any provision of an order 18 issued by the governor under this section is guilty of a gross 19 misdemeanor.
- 20 **Sec. 14.** RCW 9.41.300 and 2018 c 201 s 9003 and 2018 c 201 s 21 6007 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) It is unlawful for any person to enter the following places when he or she knowingly possesses or knowingly has under his or her control a weapon:
 - (a) The restricted access areas of a jail, ((er)) of a law enforcement facility, or any place used for the confinement of a person (i) arrested for, charged with, or convicted of, an offense, (ii) held for extradition or as a material witness, or (iii) otherwise confined pursuant to an order of a court, except an order under chapter 13.32A or 13.34 RCW. Restricted access areas do not include common areas of egress or ingress open to the general public;
 - (b) Those areas in any building which are used in connection with court proceedings, including courtrooms, jury rooms, judge's chambers, offices, and areas used to conduct court business, waiting areas, and corridors adjacent to areas used in connection with court proceedings. The restricted areas do not include common areas of ingress and egress to the building that is used in connection with court proceedings $((\tau))$ when it is possible to protect court areas without restricting ingress and egress to the building. The

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restricted areas shall be the minimum necessary to fulfill the objective of this subsection $((\frac{1}{b}))$.

For purposes of this subsection $((\frac{1}{b}))$, "weapon" means any firearm, explosive as defined in RCW 70.74.010, or any weapon of the kind usually known as slung shot, sand club, or metal knuckles, or any knife, dagger, dirk, or other similar weapon that is capable of causing death or bodily injury and is commonly used with the intent to cause death or bodily injury.

In addition, the local legislative authority shall provide either a stationary locked box sufficient in size for pistols and key to a weapon owner for weapon storage, or shall designate an official to receive weapons for safekeeping((τ)) during the owner's visit to restricted areas of the building. The locked box or designated official shall be located within the same building used in connection with court proceedings. The local legislative authority shall be liable for any negligence causing damage to, or loss of, a weapon either placed in a locked box or left with an official during the owner's visit to restricted areas of the building.

The local judicial authority shall designate and clearly mark those areas where weapons are prohibited, and shall post notices at each entrance to the building of the prohibition against weapons in the restricted areas;

- (c) The restricted access areas of a public mental health facility licensed or certified by the department of health for inpatient hospital care and state institutions for the care of the mentally ill, excluding those facilities solely for evaluation and treatment. Restricted access areas do not include common areas of egress and ingress open to the general public;
- (d) That portion of an establishment classified by the state liquor and cannabis board as off-limits to persons under twenty-one years of age, unless the establishment has as its primary source of revenue the sale of liquor for on-premises consumption; or
- (e) The restricted access areas of a commercial service airport designated in the airport security plan approved by the federal transportation security administration, including passenger screening checkpoints at or beyond the point at which a passenger initiates the screening process. These areas do not include airport drives, general parking areas and walkways, and shops and areas of the terminal that are outside the screening checkpoints and that are normally open to unscreened passengers or visitors to the airport. Any restricted

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access area shall be clearly indicated by prominent signs indicating that firearms and other weapons are prohibited in the area.

- (2) Cities, towns, counties, and other municipalities may enact laws and ordinances:
- (a) Restricting the discharge of firearms in any portion of their respective jurisdictions where there is a reasonable likelihood that humans, domestic animals, or property will be jeopardized. Such laws and ordinances shall not abridge the right of the individual guaranteed by Article I, section 24 of the state Constitution to bear arms in defense of self or others; and
- (b) Restricting the possession of firearms in any stadium or convention center, operated by a city, town, county, or other municipality, except that such restrictions shall not apply to:
- (i) Any pistol in the possession of a person licensed under RCW 9.41.070 or exempt from the licensing requirement by RCW 9.41.060; or
- (ii) Any showing, demonstration, or lecture involving the exhibition of firearms.
 - (3) (a) Cities, towns, and counties may enact ordinances restricting the areas in their respective jurisdictions in which firearms may be sold, but, except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a business selling firearms may not be treated more restrictively than other businesses located within the same zone. An ordinance requiring the cessation of business within a zone shall not have a shorter grandfather period for businesses selling firearms than for any other businesses within the zone.
 - (b) Cities, towns, and counties may restrict the location of a business selling firearms to not less than five hundred feet from primary or secondary school grounds, if the business has a storefront, has hours during which it is open for business, and posts advertisements or signs observable to passersby that firearms are available for sale. A business selling firearms that exists as of the date a restriction is enacted under this subsection (((3)(b))) shall be grandfathered according to existing law.
- 34 (4) Violations of local ordinances adopted under subsection (2) 35 of this section must have the same penalty as provided for by state 36 law.
 - (5) The perimeter of the premises of any specific location covered by subsection (1) of this section shall be posted at reasonable intervals to alert the public as to the existence of any law restricting the possession of firearms on the premises.

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(6) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to:

- (a) A person engaged in military activities sponsored by the federal or state governments, while engaged in official duties;
- (b) Law enforcement personnel, except that subsection (1)(b) of this section does apply to a law enforcement officer who is present at a courthouse building as a party to an action under chapter 10.14, 10.99, or 26.50 RCW, or an action under Title 26 RCW where any party has alleged the existence of domestic violence as defined in RCW 26.50.010; or
 - (c) Security personnel while engaged in official duties.
- (7) Subsection (1)(a), (b), (c), and (e) of this section does not apply to correctional personnel or community corrections officers, as long as they are employed as such, who have completed government-sponsored law enforcement firearms training, except that subsection (1)(b) of this section does apply to a correctional employee or community corrections officer who is present at a courthouse building as a party to an action under chapter 10.14, 10.99, or 26.50 RCW, or an action under Title 26 RCW where any party has alleged the existence of domestic violence as defined in RCW 26.50.010.
- (8) Subsection (1)(a) of this section does not apply to a person licensed pursuant to RCW 9.41.070 who, upon entering the place or facility, directly and promptly proceeds to the administrator of the facility or the administrator's designee and obtains written permission to possess the firearm while on the premises or checks his or her firearm. The person may reclaim the firearms upon leaving but must immediately and directly depart from the place or facility.
- (9) Subsection (1)(c) of this section does not apply to any administrator or employee of the facility or to any person who, upon entering the place or facility, directly and promptly proceeds to the administrator of the facility or the administrator's designee and obtains written permission to possess the firearm while on the premises.
- (10) Subsection (1)(d) of this section does not apply to the proprietor of the premises or his or her employees while engaged in their employment.
- (11) Government-sponsored law enforcement firearms training must be training that correctional personnel and community corrections officers receive as part of their job requirement and reference to such training does not constitute a mandate that it be provided by the correctional facility.

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- 1 (12) Any person violating subsection (1) of this section is quilty of a gross misdemeanor.
- 3 (13) "Weapon" as used in this section means any firearm, 4 explosive as defined in RCW 70.74.010, or instrument or weapon listed 5 in RCW 9.41.250.
- 6 **Sec. 15.** RCW 9.41.047 and 2019 c 248 s 3 and 2019 c 247 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

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- (1) (a) At the time a person is convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of an offense making the person ineligible to possess a firearm, or at the time a person is committed by court order under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, or chapter 10.77 RCW for mental health treatment, ((or at the time that charges are dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial under RCW 10.77.088 and the court makes a finding that the person has a history of one or more violent acts,)) the convicting or committing court((ror court that dismisses charges,)) shall notify the person, orally and in writing, that the person must immediately surrender any concealed pistol license and that the person may not possess a firearm unless his or her right to do so is restored by a court of record. For purposes of this section a convicting court includes a court in which a person has been found not guilty by reason of insanity.
- (b) The convincing or committing court shall forward within three judicial days after conviction $((\tau))$ or entry of the commitment order((, or dismissal of charges,)) a copy of the person's driver's license or identicard, or comparable information, along with the date of conviction or commitment, ((or date charges are dismissed,)) to the department of licensing. When a person is committed by court order under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, or chapter 10.77 RCW, for mental health treatment, ((or when a person's charges are dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial under RCW 10.77.088 and the court makes a finding that the person has a history of one or more violent acts,)) the committing court also shall forward, within three judicial days after entry of the commitment order, ((or dismissal of charges,)) a copy of the person's driver's license, or comparable information, along with the date of commitment ((or date charges are dismissed)), to the national instant criminal background check system index, denied persons file, created by the federal Brady handgun violence prevention act (P.L. 103-159). The

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petitioning party shall provide the court with the information required. If more than one commitment order is entered under one cause number, only one notification to the department of licensing and the national instant criminal background check system is required.

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- (2) Upon receipt of the information provided for by subsection (1) of this section, the department of licensing shall determine if the convicted or committed person((, or the person whose charges are dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial,)) has a concealed pistol license. If the person does have a concealed pistol license, the department of licensing shall immediately notify the license-issuing authority which, upon receipt of such notification, shall immediately revoke the license.
- (3) (a) A person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm, by reason of having been involuntarily committed for mental health treatment under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, chapter 10.77 RCW, or equivalent statutes of another jurisdiction, ((or by reason of having been detained under RCW 71.05.150 or 71.05.153, or because the person's charges were dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial under RCW 10.77.088 and the court made a finding that the person has a history of one or more violent acts,)) may, upon discharge, petition the superior court to have his or her right to possess a firearm restored.
- (b) The petition must be brought in the superior court that ordered the involuntary commitment ((or dismissed the charges based on incompetency to stand trial)) or the superior court of the county in which the petitioner resides.
- (c) Except as provided in (d) and (e) of this subsection, the court shall restore the petitioner's right to possess a firearm if the petitioner proves by a preponderance of the evidence that:
- 31 (i) The petitioner is no longer required to participate in court-32 ordered inpatient or outpatient treatment;
 - (ii) The petitioner has successfully managed the condition related to the commitment or detention ((or incompetency));
- 35 (iii) The petitioner no longer presents a substantial danger to 36 himself or herself, or the public; and
- 37 (iv) The symptoms related to the commitment or detention (($\frac{1}{2}$) 38 incompetency)) are not reasonably likely to recur.
- 39 (d) If a preponderance of the evidence in the record supports a 40 finding that the person petitioning the court has engaged in violence

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and that it is more likely than not that the person will engage in violence after his or her right to possess a firearm is restored, the person shall bear the burden of proving by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that he or she does not present a substantial danger to the safety of others.

- (e) If the petitioner seeks restoration after having been detained under RCW 71.05.150 or 71.05.153, the state shall bear the burden of proof to show, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the petitioner does not meet the restoration criteria in (c) of this subsection.
- (f) When a person's right to possess a firearm has been restored under this subsection, the court shall forward, within three judicial days after entry of the restoration order, notification that the person's right to possess a firearm has been restored to the department of licensing, the health care authority, and the national instant criminal background check system index, denied persons file. ((In the case of a person whose right to possess a firearm has been suspended for six months as provided in RCW 71.05.182, the department of licensing shall forward notification of the restoration order to the licensing authority, which, upon receipt of such notification, shall immediately lift the suspension, restoring the license.))
- (4) No person who has been found not guilty by reason of insanity may petition a court for restoration of the right to possess a firearm unless the person meets the requirements for the restoration of the right to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040(4).
- **Sec. 16.** RCW 9.41.345 and 2019 c 367 s 5 are each amended to 27 read as follows:
 - (1) Before a law enforcement agency returns a privately owned firearm, the law enforcement agency must:
 - (a) Confirm that the individual to whom the firearm will be returned is the individual from whom the firearm was obtained or an authorized representative of that person;
 - (b) Confirm that the individual to whom the firearm will be returned is eligible to possess a firearm pursuant to RCW 9.41.040;
 - (c) Ensure that the firearm is not otherwise required to be held in custody or otherwise prohibited from being released; and
- 37 (d) Ensure that twenty-four hours have elapsed from the time the 38 firearm was obtained by law enforcement((, unless the firearm was 39 seized in connection with a domestic violence call pursuant to RCW

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1 10.99.030, in which case the law enforcement agency must ensure that
2 five business days have elapsed from the time the firearm was
3 obtained)).

- (2) (a) Once the requirements in subsections (1) and (3) of this section have been met, a law enforcement agency must release a firearm to the individual from whom it was obtained or an authorized representative of that person upon request without unnecessary delay.
- (b)(i) If a firearm cannot be returned because it is required to be held in custody or is otherwise prohibited from being released, a law enforcement agency must provide written notice to the individual from whom it was obtained within five business days of the individual requesting return of his or her firearm and specify the reason the firearm must be held in custody.
- (ii) Notification may be made via email, text message, mail service, or personal service. For methods other than personal service, service shall be considered complete once the notification is sent.
- (3) If a family or household member has requested to be notified pursuant to RCW 9.41.340, a law enforcement agency must:
- (a) Provide notice to the family or household member within one business day of verifying that the requirements in subsection (1) of this section have been met; and
- 23 (b) Hold the firearm in custody for seventy-two hours from the 24 time notification has been provided.
 - (4)(a) A law enforcement agency may not return a concealed pistol license that has been surrendered to or impounded by the law enforcement agency for any reason to the licensee until the law enforcement agency determines the licensee is eligible to possess a firearm under state and federal law and meets the other eligibility requirements for a concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.070.
 - (b) A law enforcement agency must release a concealed pistol license to the licensee without unnecessary delay, and in no case longer than five business days, after the law enforcement agency determines the requirements of (a) of this subsection have been met.
 - (5) The provisions of chapter 130, Laws of 2015 and subsection (4) of this section shall not apply to circumstances where a law enforcement officer has momentarily obtained a firearm or concealed pistol license from an individual and would otherwise immediately return the firearm or concealed pistol license to the individual during the same interaction.

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1 Sec. 17. RCW 10.99.030 and 2019 c 367 s 1 and 2019 c 110 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows: 2

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- (1) The primary duty of peace officers, when responding to a domestic violence situation, is to enforce the laws allegedly violated and to protect the complaining party.
- (2) (a) When a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed, the peace officer shall exercise arrest powers with reference to the criteria in RCW 10.31.100. The officer shall notify the victim of the victim's right to initiate a criminal proceeding in all cases where the officer has not exercised arrest powers or decided to initiate criminal proceedings by citation or otherwise. The parties in such cases shall also be advised of the importance of preserving evidence.
- (b) A peace officer responding to a domestic violence call shall 14 take a complete offense report including the officer's disposition of 15 the case.
 - (3) (a) A peace officer who responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed ((shall:
 - (i) Seize all firearms and ammunition the peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe were used or threatened to be used in the commission of the offense;
- (ii) Seize all firearms in plain sight or discovered pursuant to 23 24 a lawful search; and
 - (iii) Request consent to take temporary custody of any other firearms and ammunition to which the alleged abuser has access until a judicial officer has heard the matter.
 - (b) The peace officer)) shall separate the parties and then inquire of the victim: (i) If there are any firearms or ammunition in the home that are owned or possessed by either party; (ii) if the alleged abuser has access to any other firearms located off-site; and (iii) whether the alleged abuser has an active concealed pistol license, so that there is a complete record for future court proceedings. The inquiry should make clear to the victim that the peace officer is not asking only about whether a firearm was used at the time of the incident but also under other circumstances, such as whether the alleged abuser has kept a firearm in plain sight in a manner that is coercive, has threatened use of firearms in the past, or has additional firearms in a vehicle or other location. Law

p. 29 SB 6673 enforcement personnel may use a pictorial display of common firearms to assist the victim in identifying firearms.

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((\(\frac{(c)}{(c)}\)) (b) The peace officer shall document all information about firearms and concealed pistol licenses in the incident report. The incident report must be coded to indicate the presence of or access to firearms so that personal recognizance screeners, prosecutors, and judicial officers address the heightened risk to victim, family, and peace officer safety due to the alleged abuser's access to firearms.

- ((d) A law enforcement agency shall comply with the provisions of RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345 before the return of any firearm or ammunition seized under this subsection to the owner or individual from who the firearm or ammunition was obtained.))
- (4) When a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call, the officer shall advise victims of all reasonable means to prevent further abuse, including advising each person of the availability of a shelter or other services in the community, and giving each person immediate notice of the legal rights and remedies available. The notice shall include handing each person a copy of the following statement:

"IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, you can ask the city or county prosecuting attorney to file a criminal complaint. You also have the right to file a petition in superior, district, or municipal court requesting an order for protection from domestic abuse which could include any of the following: (a) An order restraining your abuser from further acts of abuse; (b) an order directing your abuser to leave your household; (c) an order preventing your abuser from entering your residence, school, business, or place of employment; (d) an order awarding you or the other parent custody of or visitation with your minor child or children; (e) an order restraining your abuser from molesting or interfering with minor children in your custody; and (f) an order requiring your abuser to turn in any firearms and concealed pistol license in the abuser's possession or control to law enforcement and prohibiting the abuser from possessing or accessing firearms or a concealed pistol license for the duration of the civil order. The forms you

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need to obtain a protection order are available in any municipal, district, or superior court.

Information about shelters and alternatives to domestic violence is available from a statewide twenty-four-hour toll-free hotline at (include appropriate phone number). The battered women's shelter and other resources in your area are (include local information)"

- (5) The peace officer may offer, arrange, or facilitate transportation for the victim to a hospital for treatment of injuries or to a place of safety or shelter.
- $((\frac{(9)}{(9)}))$ (6) The law enforcement agency shall forward the offense report to the appropriate prosecutor within ten days of making such report if there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed, unless the case is under active investigation. Upon receiving the offense report, the prosecuting agency may, in its discretion, choose not to file the information as a domestic violence offense, if the offense was committed against a sibling, parent, stepparent, or grandparent.
- (((10))) <u>(7)</u> Each law enforcement agency shall make as soon as practicable a written record and shall maintain records of all incidents of domestic violence reported to it.
- (((11))) (8) Records kept pursuant to subsections (((6))) (2) and (((10))) (7) of this section shall be made identifiable by means of a departmental code for domestic violence.
- $((\frac{12}{12}))$ <u>(9)</u> Commencing January 1, 1994, records of incidents of domestic violence shall be submitted, in accordance with procedures described in this subsection, to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs by all law enforcement agencies. The Washington criminal justice training commission shall amend its contract for collection of statewide crime data with the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs:
- (a) To include a table, in the annual report of crime in Washington produced by the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs pursuant to the contract, showing the total number of actual offenses and the number and percent of the offenses that are domestic violence incidents for the following crimes: (i) Criminal homicide, with subtotals for murder and nonnegligent homicide and manslaughter by negligence; (ii) forcible rape, with subtotals for rape by force and attempted forcible rape; (iii) robbery, with

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subtotals for firearm, knife or cutting instrument, or other dangerous weapon, and strongarm robbery; (iv) assault, with subtotals for firearm, knife or cutting instrument, other dangerous weapon, hands, feet, aggravated, and other nonaggravated assaults; (v) burglary, with subtotals for forcible entry, nonforcible unlawful entry, and attempted forcible entry; (vi) larceny theft, except motor vehicle theft; (vii) motor vehicle theft, with subtotals for autos, trucks and buses, and other vehicles; (viii) arson; and (ix) violations of the provisions of a protection order or no-contact order restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering a residence, workplace, school, or day care, provided that specific appropriations are subsequently made for the collection and compilation of data regarding violations of protection orders or no-contact orders;

(b) To require that the table shall continue to be prepared and contained in the annual report of crime in Washington until that time as comparable or more detailed information about domestic violence incidents is available through the Washington state incident based reporting system and the information is prepared and contained in the annual report of crime in Washington; and

- (c) To require that, in consultation with interested persons, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs prepare and disseminate procedures to all law enforcement agencies in the state as to how the agencies shall code and report domestic violence incidents to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs.
- (((6))) (10) An appointed or elected public official, public employee, or public agency as defined in RCW 4.24.470, or units of local government and its employees, as provided in RCW 36.28A.010, are immune from civil liability for damages arising out of the seizure or lack of seizure of a firearm, unless it is shown that the official, employee, or agency acted with gross negligence or in bad faith.
- **Sec. 18.** RCW 10.99.040 and 2019 c 367 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:
- 36 (1) Because of the serious nature of domestic violence, the court 37 in domestic violence actions:
 - (a) Shall not dismiss any charge or delay disposition because of concurrent dissolution or other civil proceedings;

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(b) Shall not require proof that either party is seeking a dissolution of marriage prior to instigation of criminal proceedings;

- (c) Shall waive any requirement that the victim's location be disclosed to any person, other than the attorney of a criminal defendant, upon a showing that there is a possibility of further violence: PROVIDED, That the court may order a criminal defense attorney not to disclose to his or her client the victim's location; and
- (d) Shall identify by any reasonable means on docket sheets those criminal actions arising from acts of domestic violence.
- (2) (a) Because of the likelihood of repeated violence directed at those who have been victims of domestic violence in the past, when any person charged with or arrested for a crime involving domestic violence is released from custody before arraignment or trial on bail or personal recognizance, the court authorizing the release may prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim. The jurisdiction authorizing the release shall determine whether that person should be prohibited from having any contact with the victim. If there is no outstanding restraining or protective order prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, the court authorizing release may issue, by telephone, a no-contact order prohibiting the person charged or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location.
- (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800((, and shall order the defendant to surrender, and prohibit the person from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800)).
- (c) The no-contact order shall also be issued in writing as soon as possible, and shall state that it may be extended as provided in subsection (3) of this section. By January 1, 2011, the administrative office of the courts shall develop a pattern form for all no-contact orders issued under this chapter. A no-contact order issued under this chapter must substantially comply with the pattern form developed by the administrative office of the courts.
- (3)(a) At the time of arraignment the court shall determine whether a no-contact order shall be issued or extended. So long as the court finds probable cause, the court may issue or extend a no-contact order even if the defendant fails to appear at arraignment.

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The no-contact order shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed.

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- (b) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider all information documented in the incident report concerning the person's possession of and access to firearms and whether law enforcement took temporary custody of firearms at the time of the arrest. The court may as a condition of release prohibit the defendant from possessing or accessing firearms and order the defendant to immediately surrender all firearms and any concealed pistol license to a law enforcement agency upon release.
- (e)) If a no-contact order is issued or extended, the court may also include in the conditions of release a requirement that the defendant submit to electronic monitoring as defined in RCW 9.94A.030. If electronic monitoring is ordered, the court shall specify who shall provide the monitoring services, and the terms under which the monitoring shall be performed. Upon conviction, the court may require as a condition of the sentence that the defendant reimburse the providing agency for the costs of the electronic monitoring.
- (4) (a) Willful violation of a court order issued under subsection (2), (3), or (7) of this section is punishable under RCW 26.50.110.
- (b) The written order releasing the person charged or arrested shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter 26.50 RCW and will subject a violator to arrest; any assault, drive-by shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
- 31 (c) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the 32 victim.
 - (5) If a no-contact order has been issued prior to charging, that order shall expire at arraignment or within seventy-two hours if charges are not filed.
 - (6) Whenever a no-contact order is issued, modified, or terminated under subsection (2) or (3) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order the law enforcement

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- agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated under subsection (3) of this section, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system.
- 12 (7) All courts shall develop policies and procedures by January
 13 1, 2011, to grant victims a process to modify or rescind a no-contact
 14 order issued under this chapter. The administrative office of the
 15 courts shall develop a model policy to assist the courts in
 16 implementing the requirements of this subsection.
- **Sec. 19.** RCW 7.90.090 and 2019 c 245 s 4 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
 - (1) (a) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the petitioner has been a victim of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration by the respondent, the court shall issue a sexual assault protection order; provided that the petitioner must also satisfy the requirements of RCW 7.90.110 for ex parte temporary orders or RCW 7.90.120 for final orders.
 - (b) The petitioner shall not be denied a sexual assault protection order because the petitioner or the respondent is a minor or because the petitioner did not report the assault to law enforcement. The court, when determining whether or not to issue a sexual assault protection order, may not require proof of physical injury on the person of the victim or proof that the petitioner has reported the sexual assault to law enforcement. Modification and extension of prior sexual assault protection orders shall be in accordance with this chapter.
 - (2) The court may provide relief as follows:

(a) Restrain the respondent from having any contact, including nonphysical contact, with the petitioner directly, indirectly, or through third parties regardless of whether those third parties know of the order;

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(b) Exclude the respondent from the petitioner's residence, workplace, or school, or from the day care or school of a child, if the victim is a child;

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- (c) Prohibit the respondent from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location; and
- (d) Order any other injunctive relief as necessary or appropriate for the protection of the petitioner.
- (3) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
- (4))) In cases where the petitioner and the respondent are under the age of eighteen and attend the same public or private elementary, middle, or high school, the court, when issuing a protection order and providing relief, shall consider, among the other facts of the case, the severity of the act, any continuing physical danger or emotional distress to the petitioner, and the expense difficulty, and educational disruption that would be caused by a transfer of the respondent to another school. The court may order that the person restrained in the order not attend the public or approved private elementary, middle, or high school attended by the person under the age of eighteen protected by the order. In the event the court orders a transfer of the restrained person to another school, the parents or legal quardians of the person restrained in the order are responsible for transportation and other costs associated with the change of school by the person restrained in the order. The court shall send notice of the restriction on attending the same school as the person protected by the order to the public or approved private school the person restrained by the order will attend and to the school the person protected by the order attends.
- ((+5))) <u>(4)</u> Denial of a remedy may not be based, in whole or in part, on evidence that:
 - (a) The respondent was voluntarily intoxicated;
 - (b) The petitioner was voluntarily intoxicated; or
- 37 (c) The petitioner engaged in limited consensual sexual touching.
 - $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$ Monetary damages are not recoverable as a remedy.
- 39 $((\frac{(7)}{)})$ <u>(6)</u> A knowing violation of a court order issued under 40 this section is punishable under RCW 26.50.110.

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Sec. 20. RCW 7.90.110 and 2019 c 245 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) An ex parte temporary sexual assault protection order shall issue if the petitioner satisfies the requirements of this subsection by a preponderance of the evidence. The petitioner shall establish that:
- (a) The petitioner has been a victim of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration by the respondent; and
- (b) There is good cause to grant the remedy, regardless of the lack of prior service of process or of notice upon the respondent, because the harm which that remedy is intended to prevent would be likely to occur if the respondent were given any prior notice, or greater notice than was actually given, of the petitioner's efforts to obtain judicial relief.
- (2) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
- (3))) If the respondent appears in court for this hearing for an ex parte temporary order, he or she may elect to file a general appearance and testify under oath. Any resulting order may be an ex parte temporary order, governed by this section.
- ((4)) (3) If the court declines to issue an exparte temporary sexual assault protection order, the court shall state the particular reasons for the court's denial. The court's denial of a motion for an exparte temporary order shall be filed with the court.
- $((\frac{(5)}{)})$ $\underline{(4)}$ A knowing violation of a court order issued under 29 this section is punishable under RCW 26.50.110.
- **Sec. 21.** RCW 7.92.100 and 2019 c 245 s 7 are each amended to 31 read as follows:
 - (1) (a) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the petitioner has been a victim of stalking conduct by the respondent, the court shall issue a stalking protection order.
 - (b) The petitioner shall not be denied a stalking protection order because the petitioner or the respondent is a minor or because the petitioner did not report the stalking conduct to law enforcement. The court, when determining whether or not to issue a stalking protection order, may not require proof of the respondent's

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intentions regarding the acts alleged by the petitioner. Modification and extension of prior stalking protection orders shall be in accordance with this chapter.

(2) The court may provide relief as follows:

- (a) Restrain the respondent from having any contact, including nonphysical contact, with the petitioner directly, indirectly, or through third parties regardless of whether those third parties know of the order;
- 9 (b) Exclude the respondent from the petitioner's residence, 10 workplace, or school, or from the day care, workplace, or school of 11 the petitioner's minor children;
 - (c) Prohibit the respondent from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location;
- 15 (d) Prohibit the respondent from keeping the petitioner and/or 16 the petitioner's minor children under surveillance, to include 17 electronic surveillance;
 - (e) Order any other injunctive relief as necessary or appropriate for the protection of the petitioner, to include a mental health and/or chemical dependency evaluation; and
 - (f) Require the respondent to pay the administrative court costs and service fees, as established by the county or municipality incurring the expense and to reimburse the petitioner for costs incurred in bringing the action, including reasonable attorneys' fees.
 - (3) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
 - (4))) Unless otherwise stated in the order, when a person is petitioning on behalf of a minor child or vulnerable adult, the relief authorized in this section shall apply only for the protection of the victim, and not the petitioner.
 - (((5))) (4) In cases where the petitioner and the respondent attend the same public or private elementary, middle, or high school, the court, when issuing a protection order and providing relief, shall consider, among the other facts of the case, the severity of the act, any continuing physical danger or emotional distress to the petitioner, and the expense difficulty, and educational disruption

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that would be caused by a transfer of the respondent to another school. The court may order that the person restrained in the order not attend the public or approved private elementary, middle, or high school attended by the person protected by the order. In the event the court orders a transfer of the restrained person to another school, the parents or legal guardians of the person restrained in order are responsible for transportation and other costs associated with the change of school by the person restrained in the order. The court shall send notice of the restriction on attending the same school as the person protected by the order to the public or approved private school the person restrained by the order will attend and to the school the person protected by the order attends.

Sec. 22. RCW 7.92.120 and 2019 c 245 s 8 are each amended to 14 read as follows:

- (1) Where it appears from the petition and any additional evidence that the respondent has engaged in stalking conduct and that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued immediately without prior notice, the court may grant an ex parte temporary order for protection, pending a full hearing and grant such injunctive relief as it deems proper, including the relief as specified under RCW 7.92.100 (2) (a) through (d) and (4).
- (2) Irreparable injury under this section includes, but is not limited to, situations in which the respondent has recently threatened the petitioner with bodily injury or has engaged in acts of stalking conduct against the petitioner.
- (3) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
- (4))) The court shall hold an ex parte hearing in person or by telephone on the day the petition is filed or on the following judicial day.
 - $((\frac{5}{}))$ (4) An ex parte temporary stalking protection order shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days or twenty-four days if the court has permitted service by publication or mail. The ex parte order may be reissued. A full hearing, as provided in this chapter, shall be set for not later than fourteen days from the issuance of the temporary order or not later than twenty-four

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days if service by publication or by mail is permitted. Unless the court has permitted service by publication or mail, the respondent shall be personally served with a copy of the ex parte order along with a copy of the petition and notice of the date set for the hearing.

- ((+6+)) (5) Any order issued under this section shall contain the date and time of issuance and the expiration date and shall be entered into a statewide judicial information system by the clerk of the court within one judicial day after issuance.
- 10 (((7))) <u>(6)</u> If the court declines to issue an ex parte temporary 11 stalking protection order, the court shall state the particular 12 reasons for the court's denial. The court's denial of a motion for an 13 ex parte temporary order shall be filed with the court.
- $((\frac{(8)}{(8)}))$ A knowing violation of a court order issued under 15 this section is punishable under RCW 26.50.110.
- 16 Sec. 23. RCW 10.14.080 and 2019 c 245 s 11 and 2019 c 46 s 5011 17 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Upon filing a petition for a civil antiharassment protection order under this chapter, the petitioner may obtain an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order. An ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order may be granted with or without notice upon the filing of an affidavit which, to the satisfaction of the court, shows reasonable proof of unlawful harassment of the petitioner by the respondent and that great or irreparable harm will result to the petitioner if the temporary antiharassment protection order is not granted. If the court declines to issue an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order, the court shall state the particular reasons for the court's denial. The court's denial of a motion for an ex parte temporary order shall be filed with the court.
 - (2) An ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days or twenty-four days if the court has permitted service by publication under RCW 10.14.085. The ex parte order may be reissued. A full hearing, as provided in this chapter, shall be set for not later than fourteen days from the issuance of the temporary order or not later than twenty-four days if service by publication is permitted. Except as provided in RCW 10.14.070 and 10.14.085, the respondent shall be personally served with a copy of the ex parte order along with a copy of the petition and notice of the date set for the hearing. The ex

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parte order and notice of hearing shall include at a minimum the date and time of the hearing set by the court to determine if the temporary order should be made effective for one year or more, and notice that if the respondent should fail to appear or otherwise not respond, an order for protection will be issued against the respondent pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, for a minimum of one year from the date of the hearing. The notice shall also include a brief statement of the provisions of the ex parte order and notify the respondent that a copy of the ex parte order and notice of hearing has been filed with the clerk of the court.

- (3) At the hearing, if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that unlawful harassment exists, a civil antiharassment protection order shall issue prohibiting such unlawful harassment.
- (4) An order issued under this chapter shall be effective for not more than one year unless the court finds that the respondent is likely to resume unlawful harassment of the petitioner when the order expires. If so, the court may enter an order for a fixed time exceeding one year or may enter a permanent antiharassment protection order. The court shall not enter an order that is effective for more than one year if the order restrains the respondent from contacting the respondent's minor children. This limitation is not applicable to civil antiharassment protection orders issued under chapter 26.09, 26.10, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW. If the petitioner seeks relief for a period longer than one year on behalf of the respondent's minor children, the court shall advise the petitioner that the petitioner may apply for renewal of the order as provided in this chapter or if appropriate may seek relief pursuant to chapter 26.09 or 26.10 RCW.
- (5) At any time within the three months before the expiration of the order, the petitioner may apply for a renewal of the order by filing a petition for renewal. The petition for renewal shall state the reasons why the petitioner seeks to renew the protection order. Upon receipt of the petition for renewal, the court shall order a hearing which shall be not later than fourteen days from the date of the order. Except as provided in RCW 10.14.085, personal service shall be made upon the respondent not less than five days before the hearing. If timely service cannot be made the court shall set a new hearing date and shall either require additional attempts at obtaining personal service or permit service by publication as provided by RCW 10.14.085. If the court permits service by publication, the court shall set the new hearing date not later than

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twenty-four days from the date of the order. If the order expires because timely service cannot be made the court shall grant an exparte order of protection as provided in this section. The court shall grant the petition for renewal unless the respondent proves by a preponderance of the evidence that the respondent will not resume harassment of the petitioner when the order expires. The court may renew the protection order for another fixed time period or may enter a permanent order as provided in subsection (4) of this section.

- (6) The court, in granting an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order or a civil antiharassment protection order, shall have broad discretion to grant such relief as the court deems proper, including an order:
- (a) Restraining the respondent from making any attempts to contact the petitioner;
- (b) Restraining the respondent from making any attempts to keep the petitioner under surveillance; and
- (c) Requiring the respondent to stay a stated distance from the petitioner's residence and workplace.
- (7) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
- (8))) The court in granting an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order or a civil antiharassment protection order shall not prohibit the respondent from exercising constitutionally protected free speech. Nothing in this section prohibits the petitioner from utilizing other civil or criminal remedies to restrain conduct or communications not otherwise constitutionally protected.
- $((\frac{(9)}{)})$ (8) The court in granting an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order or a civil antiharassment protection order shall not prohibit the respondent from the use or enjoyment of real property to which the respondent has a cognizable claim unless that order is issued under chapter 26.09 RCW or under a separate action commenced with a summons and complaint to determine title or possession of real property.
- (((10))) <u>(9)</u> The court in granting an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order or a civil antiharassment protection order shall not limit the respondent's right to care, control, or

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custody of the respondent's minor child, unless that order is issued under chapter 13.32A, 26.09, 26.10, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW.

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- $((\frac{(11)}{(11)}))$ (10) A petitioner may not obtain an ex parte temporary antiharassment protection order against a respondent if the petitioner has previously obtained two such ex parte orders against the same respondent but has failed to obtain the issuance of a civil antiharassment protection order unless good cause for such failure can be shown.
- $((\frac{(12)}{(12)}))$ (11) The court order shall specify the date an order issued pursuant to subsections (4) and (5) of this section expires if any. The court order shall also state whether the court issued the protection order following personal service or service by publication and whether the court has approved service by publication of an order issued under this section.
- 15 **Sec. 24.** RCW 26.50.070 and 2019 c 245 s 14 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
 - (1) Where an application under this section alleges that irreparable injury could result from domestic violence if an order is not issued immediately without prior notice to the respondent, the court may grant an ex parte temporary order for protection, pending a full hearing, and grant relief as the court deems proper, including an order:
- 23 (a) Restraining any party from committing acts of domestic 24 violence;
- 25 (b) Restraining any party from going onto the grounds of or 26 entering the dwelling that the parties share, from the residence, 27 workplace, or school of the other, or from the day care or school of 28 a child until further order of the court;
- 29 (c) Prohibiting any party from knowingly coming within, or 30 knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified 31 location;
- 32 (d) Restraining any party from interfering with the other's 33 custody of the minor children or from removing the children from the 34 jurisdiction of the court;
- 35 (e) Restraining any party from having any contact with the victim 36 of domestic violence or the victim's children or members of the 37 victim's household; and
- 38 (f) Restraining the respondent from harassing, following, keeping 39 under physical or electronic surveillance, cyberstalking as defined

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in RCW 9.61.260, and using telephonic, audiovisual, or other electronic means to monitor the actions, location, or communication of a victim of domestic violence, the victim's children, or members of the victim's household. For the purposes of this subsection, "communication" includes both "wire communication" and "electronic communication" as defined in RCW 9.73.260.

- (2) ((In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
- (3))) Irreparable injury under this section includes but is not limited to situations in which the respondent has recently threatened petitioner with bodily injury or has engaged in acts of domestic violence against the petitioner.
- ((4))) (3) The court shall hold an exparte hearing in person or by telephone on the day the petition is filed or on the following judicial day.
- (((5))) <u>(4)</u> An ex parte temporary order for protection shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days or twenty-four days if the court has permitted service by publication under RCW 26.50.085 or by mail under RCW 26.50.123. The ex parte temporary order may be reissued. A full hearing, as provided in this chapter, shall be set for not later than fourteen days from the issuance of the ex parte temporary order or not later than twenty-four days if service by publication or by mail is permitted. Except as provided in RCW 26.50.050, 26.50.085, and 26.50.123, the respondent shall be personally served with a copy of the ex parte temporary order along with a copy of the petition and notice of the date set for the hearing.
- $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$ Any order issued under this section shall contain the date and time of issuance and the expiration date and shall be entered into a statewide judicial information system by the clerk of the court within one judicial day after issuance.
- $((\frac{(7)}{)})$ (6) If the court declines to issue an exparte temporary order for protection the court shall state the particular reasons for the court's denial. The court's denial of a motion for an exparte temporary order for protection shall be filed with the court.

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- **Sec. 25.** RCW 26.09.060 and 2019 c 245 s 17 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
 - (1) In a proceeding for:

- (a) Dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or a declaration of invalidity; or
- (b) Disposition of property or liabilities, maintenance, or support following dissolution of the marriage or the domestic partnership by a court which lacked personal jurisdiction over the absent spouse or absent domestic partner; either party may move for temporary maintenance or for temporary support of children entitled to support. The motion shall be accompanied by an affidavit setting forth the factual basis for the motion and the amounts requested.
- (2) As a part of a motion for temporary maintenance or support or by independent motion accompanied by affidavit, either party may request the court to issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction, providing relief proper in the circumstances, and restraining or enjoining any person from:
- (a) Transferring, removing, encumbering, concealing, or in any way disposing of any property except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of life, and, if so restrained or enjoined, requiring him or her to notify the moving party of any proposed extraordinary expenditures made after the order is issued;
- 23 (b) Molesting or disturbing the peace of the other party or of any child;
 - (c) Going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child upon a showing of the necessity therefor;
 - (d) Knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location; and
 - (e) Removing a child from the jurisdiction of the court.
 - (3) Either party may request a domestic violence protection order under chapter 26.50 RCW or an antiharassment protection order under chapter 10.14 RCW on a temporary basis. The court may grant any of the relief provided in RCW 26.50.060 except relief pertaining to residential provisions for the children which provisions shall be provided for under this chapter, and any of the relief provided in RCW 10.14.080. Ex parte orders issued under this subsection shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days, or upon court order, not to exceed twenty-four days if necessary to ensure that all temporary motions in the case can be heard at the same time.

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(4) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800((, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800)).

- (5) The court may issue a temporary restraining order without requiring notice to the other party only if it finds on the basis of the moving affidavit or other evidence that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued until the time for responding has elapsed.
- (6) The court may issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction and an order for temporary maintenance or support in such amounts and on such terms as are just and proper in the circumstances. The court may in its discretion waive the filing of the bond or the posting of security.
- (7) Restraining orders issued under this section restraining the person from molesting or disturbing another party, or from going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, shall prominently bear on the front page of the order the legend: VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER WITH ACTUAL NOTICE OF ITS TERMS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE UNDER CHAPTER 26.50 RCW AND WILL SUBJECT A VIOLATOR TO ARREST.
- (8) The court shall order that any temporary restraining order bearing a criminal offense legend, any domestic violence protection order, or any antiharassment protection order granted under this section be forwarded by the clerk of the court on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any county in the state.
- (9) If a restraining order issued pursuant to this section is modified or terminated, the clerk of the court shall notify the law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been

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- terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from any computer-based criminal intelligence system.
- 3 (10) A temporary order, temporary restraining order, or 4 preliminary injunction:
 - (a) Does not prejudice the rights of a party or any child which are to be adjudicated at subsequent hearings in the proceeding;
 - (b) May be revoked or modified;

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- 8 (c) Terminates when the final decree is entered, except as 9 provided under subsection (11) of this section, or when the petition 10 for dissolution, legal separation, or declaration of invalidity is 11 dismissed;
- 12 (d) May be entered in a proceeding for the modification of an existing decree.
- 14 (11) Delinquent support payments accrued under an order for 15 temporary support remain collectible and are not extinguished when a 16 final decree is entered unless the decree contains specific language 17 to the contrary. A support debt under a temporary order owed to the 18 state for public assistance expenditures shall not be extinguished by 19 the final decree if:
- 20 (a) The obligor was given notice of the state's interest under 21 chapter 74.20A RCW; or
- 22 (b) The temporary order directs the obligor to make support 23 payments to the office of support enforcement or the Washington state 24 support registry.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 26. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:
- 27 (1) RCW 9.41.049 (Persons who present likelihood of serious harm— 28 Possession rights) and 2019 c 247 s 2;
- 29 (2) RCW 9.41.092 (Licensed dealer deliveries—Background checks)
 30 and 2019 c 3 s 4 (Initiative Measure No. 1639), 2018 c 145 s 4, &
 31 2015 c 1 s 4;
- 32 (3) RCW 9.41.113 (Firearm sales or transfers—Background checks—33 Requirements—Exceptions) and 2019 c 3 s 11 (Initiative Measure No. 1639), 2017 c 264 s 2, & 2015 c 1 s 3;
- 35 (4) RCW 9.41.115 (Penalties—Violations of RCW 9.41.113) and 2015 36 c 1 s 9;

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- 1 (5) RCW 9.41.137 (Department of licensing, authority to adopt rules—Reporting of violations—Authority to revoke licenses) and 2015 c 1 s 8;
- 4 (6) RCW 9.41.139 (Department of licensing—Eligibility to possess firearms) and 2019 c 3 s 15 (Initiative Measure No. 1639);
- 6 (7) RCW 9.41.360 (Unsafe storage of a firearm) and 2019 c 3 s 5 7 (Initiative Measure No. 1639);
- 8 (8) RCW 9.41.365 (Firearm security and storage—Requirements for dealers) and 2019 c 3 s 6 (Initiative Measure No. 1639);
- 10 (9) RCW 71.05.182 (Six-month suspension of right to possess 11 firearms after seventy-two-hour detention for evaluation and 12 treatment of person who presents likelihood of serious harm as a 13 result of mental disorder, substance use disorder, or both—Automatic 14 restoration of right at expiration of six-month period) and 2019 c 247 s 1;
- 16 (10) RCW 82.08.833 (Exemptions—Sales or transfers of firearms— 17 Unlicensed persons—Background check requirements) and 2015 c 1 s 10; 18 and
- 19 (11) 2019 c 244 s 2 (uncodified).

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 27. This act may be known and cited as the Washington personal protection act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 28. A new section is added to chapter 9.41 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) The right to personal protection and self-defense, as provided by the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution and Article I, section 24 of the state Constitution, shall not be abridged in any form. This includes, but is not limited to, any laws or regulations that:
- 29 (a) Restrict the ability of a person who is over the age of 30 eighteen to purchase, possess, or access a pistol, rifle, assault 31 weapon, shotgun, ammunition, magazine of any capacity, or firearm 32 accessory;
- 33 (b) Mandate a state background check be completed before the 34 lawful sale or purchase of any item described in (a) of this 35 subsection; and
- 36 (c) Limit a person's ability to protect themselves or their 37 property while that person is located in their residence.

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(2) This act shall not restrict the power of the state to enact reasonable laws and regulations that impose limits on the ability of convicted felons or the mentally incompetent to purchase, possess, or access firearms.

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