

House Study Bill 125 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC SAFETY BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for an individual income tax credit for
2 the purchase of a gun safe under certain conditions
3 and including effective date and retroactive and other
4 applicability provisions.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 422.11E Gun safe tax credit.

2 1. The taxes imposed under this division, less the credits
3 allowed under section 422.12, shall be reduced by a gun safe
4 tax credit equal to fifty percent of the purchase price of a
5 qualified gun safe, not to exceed one thousand dollars. For
6 purposes of this section, "*qualified gun safe*" means a safe
7 specifically manufactured to store firearms and constructed of
8 steel or a material of equal or greater strength, which safe is
9 purchased new from a firearm dealer licensed under federal law,
10 or a retailer as defined in section 423.1, and which safe is
11 purchased for the personal, noncommercial use of the taxpayer.

12 2. Any credit in excess of the taxpayer's tax liability
13 for the tax year is not refundable but may be credited to the
14 tax liability for the following five years or until depleted,
15 whichever occurs first. A tax credit shall not be carried back
16 to a tax year prior to the tax year in which the taxpayer claims
17 the credit.

18 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of
19 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

20 Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to a qualified gun
21 safe purchased on or after the effective date of this Act.

22 Sec. 4. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act applies
23 retroactively to January 1, 2013, for tax years beginning on
24 or after that date.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill creates an individual income tax credit for the
27 purchase of a qualified gun safe. "Qualified gun safe" is
28 defined as a safe specifically manufactured to store firearms
29 and constructed of steel or a material of equal or greater
30 strength, which safe is purchased new from a firearm dealer
31 licensed under federal law, or a retailer as defined in
32 Code section 423.1, and which is purchased for the personal,
33 noncommercial use of the taxpayer.

34 The credit is equal to 50 percent of the purchase price,
35 not to exceed \$1,000. Any credit in excess of the taxpayer's

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1 liability is not refundable but may be carried forward for five
2 years or until depleted, whichever occurs first.

3 The bill takes effect upon enactment and applies to
4 qualified gun safes purchased on or after that date, and
5 applies retroactively to January 1, 2013, for tax years
6 beginning on or after that date.