

**Senate File 2127 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to firearm safety training requirements for a  
2 permit to acquire pistols or revolvers, and making penalties  
3 applicable.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 724.9, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph  
2 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

3 An applicant for an initial permit to carry weapons or  
4 initial permit to acquire pistols or revolvers shall demonstrate  
5 knowledge of firearm safety by any of the following means:

6 Sec. 2. Section 724.9, subsections 3 and 6, Code 2026, are  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 3. Firearm safety training shall not be required for renewals  
9 of permits to carry weapons issued after December 31, 2010.  
10 Firearm safety training shall not be required for renewals of  
11 permits to acquire pistols or revolvers initially issued on and  
12 after July 1, 2026.

13 6. If an applicant for a permit to carry weapons applies  
14 after expiration of the time periods specified for renewal in  
15 section 724.11, firearm safety training shall not be required for  
16 a renewal permit under this section. An applicant for a permit  
17 to acquire pistols or revolvers who applies after expiration  
18 of the person's prior permit to acquire pistols or revolvers  
19 pursuant to section 724.20 is not required to complete firearm  
20 safety training for a renewal permit under this section unless  
21 the prior permit to acquire pistols or revolvers was issued prior  
22 to July 1, 2026.

23 Sec. 3. Section 724.15, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
24 to read as follows:

25 1. It is the intent of this section to satisfy federal  
26 requirements of 18 U.S.C. §922(t)(3) in order to acquire pistols  
27 or revolvers. In order to acquire a pistol or revolver from  
28 a federally licensed firearms dealer, an unlicensed person is  
29 required to have a valid permit to acquire or a valid permit  
30 to carry weapons issued in accordance with this chapter or the  
31 person must complete a satisfactory national instant criminal  
32 background check pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §922(t) and provide  
33 proof that the person has completed firearm safety training  
34 in accordance with section 724.9. A person under the age of  
35 twenty-one shall not be issued a permit to acquire a pistol or

1 revolver, nor shall a nonprofessional permit to carry weapons  
2 held by a person who has not reached the age of twenty-one be  
3 valid for the transfer of a pistol or revolver from a federally  
4 licensed firearms dealer.

5 Sec. 4. Section 724.16, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2026, are  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 1. A person shall not transfer a firearm to another person if  
8 the person knows or reasonably should know that the other person  
9 is ineligible to possess dangerous weapons pursuant to section  
10 724.8B, has not completed firearm safety training required under  
11 section 724.9, is intoxicated as provided under the conditions  
12 set out in section 321J.2, subsection 1, or is prohibited from  
13 receiving or possessing a firearm under section 724.26 or federal  
14 law.

15 2. A person shall not loan or rent a firearm to another  
16 person for temporary use during lawful activities if the person  
17 knows or reasonably should know that the other person is  
18 ineligible to possess dangerous weapons pursuant to section  
19 724.8B, has not completed firearm safety training required under  
20 section 724.9, is intoxicated as provided under the conditions  
21 set out in section 321J.2, subsection 1, or is prohibited from  
22 receiving or possessing a firearm under section 724.26 or federal  
23 law.

24 Sec. 5. Section 724.17, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended  
25 to read as follows:

26 1. The application for a permit to acquire pistols or  
27 revolvers may be made to the sheriff of the county of the  
28 applicant's residence and shall be on a form prescribed and  
29 published by the commissioner of public safety. The application  
30 shall require only the full name of the applicant, the driver's  
31 license or nonoperator's identification card number of the  
32 applicant, the residence of the applicant, the date and place  
33 of birth of the applicant, and whether the applicant meets the  
34 criteria specified in ~~section~~ sections 724.9 and 724.15. The  
35 applicant shall also display an identification card that bears a

1 distinguishing number assigned to the cardholder, the full name,  
2 date of birth, sex, residence address, and brief description  
3 and color photograph of the cardholder, or other identification  
4 as specified by rule of the department of public safety. The  
5 sheriff shall conduct a criminal history check concerning each  
6 applicant by obtaining criminal history data from the department  
7 of public safety, which shall include an inquiry of the national  
8 instant criminal background check system maintained by the  
9 federal bureau of investigation or any successor agency. A  
10 person who makes what the person knows to be a false statement of  
11 material fact on an application submitted under this section or  
12 who submits what the person knows to be any materially falsified  
13 or forged documentation in connection with such an application  
14 commits a class "D" felony.

15 EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 This bill relates to firearm safety training requirements for  
19 a permit to acquire pistols or revolvers.

20 Under current law, an applicant for an initial permit to  
21 carry weapons must demonstrate knowledge of firearm safety by the  
22 completion of a firearm safety training course. The course may  
23 be conducted over the internet if completion of the course is  
24 verified by the instructor or provider of the course. Evidence  
25 of the training may be shown through certain documents.

26 The bill requires an applicant for a permit to acquire pistols  
27 or revolvers to complete the same training requirement as an  
28 applicant for a permit to carry weapons.

29 The bill makes conforming changes that provide that if a  
30 person transfers, loans, or rents a pistol or revolver to a  
31 person who the transferor knows or should reasonably know has not  
32 completed the required training, the transferor is guilty of a  
33 class "D" felony. Additionally, conforming changes in the bill  
34 provide that a person who makes what the person knows to be a  
35 false statement of material fact on an application or submits

1 falsified or forged documents is guilty of a class "D" felony. A  
2 class "D" felony is punishable by confinement for no more than  
3 five years and a fine of at least \$1,025 but not more than  
4 \$10,245.

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