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May 1, 2024

The Honorable Paul Pate  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 2421, an Act relating to firearms by limiting civil liability of federal firearms licensees who enter into voluntary firearm hold agreements with individuals.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds  
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Clerk of the House



House File 2421

AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS BY LIMITING CIVIL LIABILITY OF FEDERAL  
FIREARMS LICENSEES WHO ENTER INTO VOLUNTARY FIREARM HOLD  
AGREEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS.

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

Section 1. Section 683.1, Code 2024, is amended by adding  
the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. "*Federal firearms licensee*" means any  
person engaged in the business of importing, manufacturing, or  
dealing in firearms as defined by the federal National Firearms  
Act, 26 U.S.C. §5841, and who currently holds a valid license  
according to provisions of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968,  
18 U.S.C. §921.

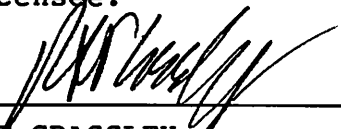
NEW SUBSECTION. 1B. "*Firearm hold agreement*" means a  
private transaction between a federal firearms licensee and an  
individual owner where the licensee takes possession of the  
owner's lawfully possessed firearm at the owner's request,  
holds the firearm for an agreed period of time, and returns the  
firearm according to the terms of the transaction.

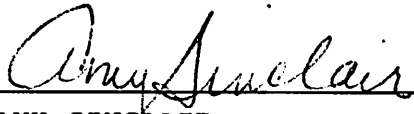
Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 683.4 Firearm hold agreements —  
liability.

1. A person shall not have a cause of action against a  
federal firearms licensee operating lawfully in the state for  
any act or omission arising from or subsequent to a firearm  
hold agreement and resulting in personal injury or death of  
any natural person, including the return of a firearm to the


individual firearm owner by a federal firearms licensee at the termination of a firearm hold agreement.

2. Subsection 1 shall not apply to any action arising from a firearm hold agreement if such action was the result of otherwise unlawful conduct on the part of the federal firearms licensee.

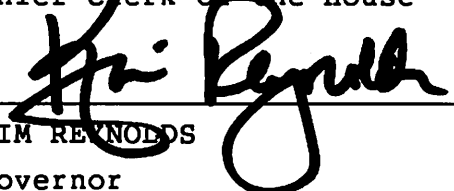
  
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PAT GRASSLEY  
Speaker of the House

  
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AMY SINCLAIR  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2421, Ninetieth General Assembly.

  
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MEGHAN NELSON  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

  
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KIM REYNOLDS  
Governor