

**FIREARM IDENTIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**Committee Note:**

The Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee recommended this bill.

Legislative Vote: 10 voting for 0 voting against 6 absent

**General Description:**

This bill makes possession of a firearm with identifying marks removed a crime.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ makes it a third degree felony to alter or remove identifying marks on a firearm; and
- ▶ makes it a third degree felony to be in possession of a firearm on which the

identifying marks have been removed or altered.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**76-10-522**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1993, Chapter 234

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **76-10-522** is amended to read:



**76-10-522. Alteration of number or mark on pistol or revolver.**

(1) Any person who changes, alters, removes, or obliterates the name of the maker, the model, manufacturer's number, or other mark of identification, including any distinguishing number or mark assigned by the Department of Public Safety, on any ~~[pistol or revolver]~~ firearm, without first having secured written permission from the Department of Public Safety to make the change, alteration, or removal, is guilty of a ~~[class A misdemeanor]~~ third degree felony.

(2) Any person who is found in possession of a firearm which has been altered as described in Subsection (1) is guilty of a third degree felony.