

116TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 6126

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the transfer of a silencer after the end of the 90-day period beginning with the application for such transfer.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 5, 2020

Mr. Steube (for himself, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Watkins) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "End the Normalized
- 5 Delay of Suppressors Act of 2020".

SEC. 2. 90-DAY APPLICATION PERIOD FOR TRANSFER OF SI-

- 2 LENCERS.
- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5812 of the Internal Rev-
- 4 enue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the
- 5 following new subsection:
- 6 "(c) 90-Day Application Period for Silenc-
- 7 ERS.—In the case of a transfer of a silencer, such transfer
- 8 may be made, notwithstanding subsection (a), if 90 days
- 9 have elapsed since the application required by such sub-
- 10 section was filed with respect to such silencer, and such
- 11 application has not been denied.".
- 12 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 13 this section shall apply to transfers more than 180 days
- 14 after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 15 SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORTS TO CONGRESS ON TIMELINESS
- 16 OF CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS OF
- 17 PROSPECTIVE FIREARM PURCHASERS.
- 18 The Attorney General shall annually prepare and
- 19 submit to the majority and minority leader of each House
- 20 of Congress a written report on the timeliness of the crimi-
- 21 nal background checks conducted with respect to firearm
- 22 transfer applications under section 5812 of the Internal
- 23 Revenue Code of 1986. The report shall set forth informa-
- 24 tion with respect to each type of firearm specified in sec-
- 25 tion 5845(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and
- 26 include information such as the average case disposition

- 1 time, the number of criminal background checks (other
- 2 than of prospective transfers of silencers) that took more
- 3 than 180 days to complete, and the number of applications

4 that, when initially filed, were incomplete.

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