



# State of Tennessee

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 159**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1558**

**By Ketron**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1176

By Rich, Sexton, Moore, Todd, Matheny, Harry Brooks, Dean, Butt, Ryan Williams, McCormick

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the disposition of confiscated weapons.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1317, is amended by deleting subsection (l) and substituting instead the following:

The Commissioner of Safety, the director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, the executive director of the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission, the executive head of any municipal or county law enforcement agency, or the director of a judicial district drug task force may petition the criminal court or the court in the official's county having criminal jurisdiction for permission to exchange firearms that have previously been properly titled, as specified by this section, to the law enforcement agency or the drug task force for other firearms, ammunition or body armor suitable for use by the law enforcement agency or drug task force. This exchange of firearms for these specified items used for legitimate law enforcement purposes is permitted only between the Department of Safety, the director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, the executive director of the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission, a municipal or county law enforcement agency, a judicial district drug task force, and a licensed and qualified law enforcement firearms dealer.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 21, 2011

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR