

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1152

5 By: Representative J. Burris
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE FIREWORK SHOOTER'S LICENSING
10 PERIOD TO START WHEN THE APPLICATION IS APPROVED
11 TO ALLOW FOR A FULL FIVE-YEAR LICENSING PERIOD;
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 LICENSING PERIOD TO START WHEN THE
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-22-707(a), concerning a firework
24 shooter's licensing period, is amended to read as follows:

25 (a)(1) To engage in the sale of fireworks as a manufacturer, importer,
26 distributor, wholesale jobber, retailer, or shooter, an applicant shall
27 submit to the Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police an
28 application on a form provided by the director before April 1 of each year
29 setting forth such facts and information as the director may determine
30 necessary and proper, considering the requirements of public health, safety,
31 and welfare. The license for manufacturers, importers, distributors,
32 wholesale jobbers, and retailers shall be effective from and shall date from
33 May 1 of the year of issuance. The license for manufacturers, importers,
34 distributors, wholesale jobbers, and retailers shall be valid through April
35 30 of the following year. ~~The license for shooters shall be effective from~~
36 ~~and shall date from May 1 of the year of issuance. The license for shooters~~



1 ~~shall be valid through April 30 of the following fifth year.~~ The license for
2 shooters shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance. Upon
3 approval of the application by the director and before the issuance of the
4 license therefor, the applicant shall pay to the director a license fee for
5 each type of business conducted to the following schedule:

- 6 (A) Manufacturer \$1,000.00
- 7 (B) Importer 750.00
- 8 (C) Distributor. 500.00
- 9 (D) Jobber wholesaler. 100.00
- 10 (E) Retailer 25.00
- 11 (F)(i) Shooter 50.00

12 (ii) This fee for shooters shall be waived if the
13 applicant verifies that the applicant is a professional or volunteer
14 firefighter.

15 (2)(A) However, retailers may purchase their licenses from their
16 vendors, which include importers, distributors, or jobber wholesalers. The
17 retailers' licenses shall be made available by the Department of Arkansas
18 State Police to the vendors in books of twenty (20) licenses to a book. The
19 vendors shall record the sales of the licenses to retailers and submit their
20 records to the director semiannually on January 31 and July 31 of each year.
21 Each semiannual report shall cover the preceding six-month period.

22 (B) Vendors ~~may exchange unsold licenses for current~~
23 ~~licenses at no charge to them or~~ may secure a refund of the fees paid for
24 retailer licenses which are not sold by the vendor.

25 (C) Failure to obtain the permit shall be deemed a
26 violation of this subchapter.

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