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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1159

5 By: Representative Baltz
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LICENSURE OF A MANUFACTURER,
9 IMPORTER, DISTRIBUTOR, JOBBER, RETAILER, OR SHOOTER
10 OF FIREWORKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 IMPORTER, DISTRIBUTOR, JOBBER, RETAILER,
15 OR SHOOTER OF FIREWORKS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-22-707(a), concerning licenses,
22 applications, and issuance for a manufacturer, importer, distributor, jobber,
23 retailer, or shooter of fireworks, is amended to read as follows:

24 (a)(1)(A) To be licensed as a manufacturer, importer, distributor,
25 jobber, retailer, or shooter of fireworks, ~~an~~ first-time applicant shall
26 submit to the Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police an
27 application on a form provided by the director ~~before April 1 of each year~~
28 setting forth the information that the director determines necessary to
29 ensure public health, safety, and welfare.

30 (B) The license for a manufacturer, importer, distributor,
31 jobber, or retailer shall be effective from ~~and shall date from May 1 of the~~
32 year the date of issuance through the next April 30 ~~of the following year~~.

33 (C) The license for a shooter shall be valid for five (5)
34 years from the date of issuance.

35 (D) Upon approval of the application by the director and
36 before the issuance of the license, the applicant shall pay to the director a



1 license fee for each type of business conducted based on the following
2 schedule:

- 3 (i) Manufacturer \$1,000.00
- 4 (ii) Importer 750.00
- 5 (iii) Distributor 500.00
- 6 (iv) Jobber 100.00
- 7 (v) Retailer 25.00
- 8 (vi) Shooter 50.00

9 (E) The fee for a shooter shall be waived if the applicant
10 verifies that he or she is a professional or volunteer firefighter.

11 (2)(A) A retailer may purchase a license from its vendor if the
12 vendor is a licensed importer, distributor, or jobber or from the State Fire
13 Marshal Enforcement Section of the Department of Arkansas State Police. The
14 retailers' licenses shall be made available by the Department of Arkansas
15 State Police to the vendor in books of twenty (20) licenses to a book.

16 (B) The vendor shall record the sales of the licenses to
17 retailers and submit its records to the director semiannually on January 31
18 and July 31 of each year. Each semiannual report shall cover the preceding
19 six-month period.

20 (3) A person ~~who~~ that does not obtain a required license commits
21 a violation of this subchapter.

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