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# A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 2233

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5 By: Representative Ballinger

6 By: Senator Hester

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF FIREWORKS; CONCERNING  
10 THE SALE OF FIREWORKS AT A PERMANENT PHYSICAL  
11 LOCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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CONCERNING THE SALE OF FIREWORKS; AND

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PERMANENT PHYSICAL LOCATION.

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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-22-711(a), concerning the times of*  
23 *permissible sales of fireworks, is amended to read as follows:*

24 *(a)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2) of this section,*  
25 *permissible ~~Permissible~~ items of fireworks, defined in § 20-22-708, may be*  
26 *sold at retail to residents of the State of Arkansas and used within the*  
27 *State of Arkansas from June 20 through July 10 and December 10 through*  
28 *January 5 of each year only.*

29 *(2) Permissible items of fireworks as defined in § 20-22-708 may*  
30 *be sold at retail all-year if sold in a permanent physical location.*

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32 *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-22-707(a)(1), concerning the application*  
33 *and issuance of an license pertaining to fireworks, is amended to read as*  
34 *follows:*

35 *(a)(1)(A) To be licensed as a manufacturer, importer, distributor,*  
36 *jobber, retailer, retailer all-year, or shooter of fireworks, a first-time*



1 applicant shall submit to the Director of the Department of Arkansas State  
2 Police an application on a form provided by the director setting forth the  
3 information that the director determines necessary to ensure public health,  
4 safety, and welfare.

5 (B) The license for a manufacturer, importer, distributor,  
6 jobber, ~~or~~ retailer, or retailer all-year shall be effective from the date of  
7 issuance through the next April 30.

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

10 (D) Upon approval of the application by the director and  
11 before the issuance of the license, the applicant shall pay to the director a  
12 license fee for each type of business conducted based on the following  
13 schedule:

- 14 (i) Manufacturer.....\$1,000.00
- 15 (ii) Importer.....750.00
- 16 (iii) Distributor.....500.00
- 17 (iv) Jobber.....100.00
- 18 (v) Retailer.....25.00
- 19 (vi) Shooter.....50.00
- 20 (v) Retailer All-Year.....500.00

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

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24 /s/Ballinger

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27 **APPROVED: 04/07/2017**