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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/24-3

from Ch. 38, par. 24-3

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that the waiting period for withholding delivery of a firearm after application for its purchase has been made does not apply to the transfer of an operable firearm in exchange for another operable firearm. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by changing
Section 24-3 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/24-3) (from Ch. 38, par. 24-3)

7 Sec. 24-3. Unlawful Sale of Firearms.

8 (A) A person commits the offense of unlawful sale of 9 firearms when he or she knowingly does any of the following:

(a) Sells or gives any firearm of a size which may be
 concealed upon the person to any person under 18 years of
 age.

(b) Sells or gives any firearm to a person under 21
years of age who has been convicted of a misdemeanor other
than a traffic offense or adjudged delinquent.

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(c) Sells or gives any firearm to any narcotic addict.

17 (d) Sells or gives any firearm to any person who has
18 been convicted of a felony under the laws of this or any
19 other jurisdiction.

(e) Sells or gives any firearm to any person who has
been a patient in a mental hospital within the past 5
years.

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(f) Sells or gives any firearms to any person who is

1 mentally retarded.

2 (q) Delivers any firearm of a size which may be 3 concealed upon the person, incidental to a sale, without withholding delivery of such firearm for at least 72 hours 4 5 after application for its purchase has been made, or 6 delivers any rifle, shotgun or other long gun, or a stun 7 gun or taser, incidental to a sale, without withholding 8 delivery of such rifle, shotqun or other long qun, or a 9 stun qun or taser for at least 24 hours after application 10 for its purchase has been made. However, this paragraph (g) 11 does not apply to: (1) the sale of a firearm to a law 12 enforcement officer if the seller of the firearm knows that the person to whom he or she is selling the firearm is a 13 14 law enforcement officer or the sale of a firearm to a 15 person who desires to purchase a firearm for use in 16 promoting the public interest incident to his or her 17 employment as a bank guard, armed truck guard, or other similar employment; (2) a mail order sale of a firearm to a 18 nonresident of Illinois under which the firearm is mailed 19 20 to a point outside the boundaries of Illinois; (3) the sale of a firearm to a nonresident of Illinois while at a 21 22 firearm showing or display recognized by the Illinois 23 Department of State Police; or (4) the sale of a firearm to 24 a dealer licensed as a federal firearms dealer under 25 Section 923 of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. 923); or (5) the transfer of an operable firearm in 26

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<u>exchange for another operable firearm</u>. For purposes of this
 paragraph (g), "application" means when the buyer and
 seller reach an agreement to purchase a firearm.

(h) While holding any license as a dealer, importer, 4 5 manufacturer or pawnbroker under the federal Gun Control 6 Act of 1968, manufactures, sells or delivers to anv 7 unlicensed person a handgun having a barrel, slide, frame 8 or receiver which is a die casting of zinc alloy or any 9 other nonhomogeneous metal which will melt or deform at a 10 temperature of less than 800 degrees Fahrenheit. For 11 purposes of this paragraph, (1) "firearm" is defined as in 12 Firearm Owners Identification Card Act; and the (2) "handgun" is defined as a firearm designed to be held and 13 14 fired by the use of a single hand, and includes a 15 combination of parts from which such a firearm can be 16 assembled.

(i) Sells or gives a firearm of any size to any person
under 18 years of age who does not possess a valid Firearm
Owner's Identification Card.

(j) Sells or gives a firearm while engaged in the
business of selling firearms at wholesale or retail without
being licensed as a federal firearms dealer under Section
923 of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. 923).
In this paragraph (j):

25 A person "engaged in the business" means a person who 26 devotes time, attention, and labor to engaging in the 1 activity as a regular course of trade or business with the 2 principal objective of livelihood and profit, but does not 3 include a person who makes occasional repairs of firearms 4 or who occasionally fits special barrels, stocks, or 5 trigger mechanisms to firearms.

"With the principal objective of livelihood 6 and 7 profit" means that the intent underlying the sale or 8 disposition of firearms is predominantly one of obtaining 9 livelihood and pecuniary gain, as opposed to other intents, 10 such as improving or liquidating a personal firearms 11 collection; however, proof of profit shall not be required 12 as to a person who engages in the regular and repetitive purchase and disposition of firearms for criminal purposes 13 14 or terrorism.

15 (k) Sells or transfers ownership of a firearm to a 16 person who does not display to the seller or transferor of 17 currently valid Firearm the firearm а Owner's Identification Card that has previously been issued in the 18 19 transferee's name by the Department of State Police under 20 the provisions of the Firearm Owners Identification Card 21 Act. This paragraph (k) does not apply to the transfer of a 22 firearm to a person who is exempt from the requirement of 23 possessing a Firearm Owner's Identification Card under 24 Section 2 of the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. 25 For the purposes of this Section, a currently valid Firearm 26 Owner's Identification Card means (i) a Firearm Owner's

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Identification Card that has not expired or (ii) if the transferor is licensed as a federal firearms dealer under Section 923 of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 U.S.C. 923), an approval number issued in accordance with Section 3.1 of the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act shall be proof that the Firearm Owner's Identification Card was valid.

8 Paragraph (h) of subsection (A) does not include (B) 9 firearms sold within 6 months after enactment of Public Act 78-355 (approved August 21, 1973, effective October 1, 1973), 10 11 nor is any firearm legally owned or possessed by any citizen or 12 purchased by any citizen within 6 months after the enactment of Public Act 78-355 subject to confiscation or seizure under the 13 14 provisions of that Public Act. Nothing in Public Act 78-355 15 shall be construed to prohibit the gift or trade of any firearm 16 if that firearm was legally held or acquired within 6 months 17 after the enactment of that Public Act.

18 (C) Sentence.

(1) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of any of paragraphs (c) through (h) of
subsection (A) commits a Class 4 felony.

(2) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of paragraph (b) or (i) of subsection (A)
commits a Class 3 felony.

(3) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of paragraph (a) of subsection (A) commits a

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Class 2 felony.

2 (4) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms 3 in violation of paragraph (a), (b), or (i) of subsection in any school, on the real property comprising a 4 (A) 5 school, within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a school, at a school related activity, or on or within 1,000 6 7 feet of any conveyance owned, leased, or contracted by a 8 school or school district to transport students to or from 9 school or a school related activity, regardless of the time 10 of day or time of year at which the offense was committed, 11 commits a Class 1 felony. Any person convicted of a second 12 or subsequent violation of unlawful sale of firearms in 13 violation of paragraph (a), (b), or (i) of subsection (A) 14 in any school, on the real property comprising a school, 15 within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a school, 16 at a school related activity, or on or within 1,000 feet of 17 any conveyance owned, leased, or contracted by a school or school district to transport students to or from school or 18 19 a school related activity, regardless of the time of day or 20 time of year at which the offense was committed, commits a 21 Class 1 felony for which the sentence shall be a term of 22 imprisonment of no less than 5 years and no more than 15 23 years.

(5) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of paragraph (a) or (i) of subsection (A) in
residential property owned, operated, or managed by a

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public housing agency or leased by a public housing agency 1 2 as part of a scattered site or mixed-income development, in 3 a public park, in a courthouse, on residential property owned, operated, or managed by a public housing agency or 4 5 leased by a public housing agency as part of a scattered site or mixed-income development, on the real property 6 comprising any public park, on the real property comprising 7 8 any courthouse, or on any public way within 1,000 feet of 9 the real property comprising any public park, courthouse, 10 or residential property owned, operated, or managed by a 11 public housing agency or leased by a public housing agency 12 as part of a scattered site or mixed-income development commits a Class 2 felony. 13

14 (6) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
15 in violation of paragraph (j) of subsection (A) commits a
16 Class A misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation is a
17 Class 4 felony.

(7) Any person convicted of unlawful sale of firearms
in violation of paragraph (k) of subsection (A) commits a
Class 4 felony. A third or subsequent conviction for a
violation of paragraph (k) of subsection (A) is a Class 1
felony.

(8) A person 18 years of age or older convicted of
unlawful sale of firearms in violation of paragraph (a) or
(i) of subsection (A), when the firearm that was sold or
given to another person under 18 years of age was used in

the commission of or attempt to commit a forcible felony, shall be fined or imprisoned, or both, not to exceed the maximum provided for the most serious forcible felony so committed or attempted by the person under 18 years of age who was sold or given the firearm.

6 (D) For purposes of this Section:

7 "School" means a public or private elementary or secondary8 school, community college, college, or university.

9 "School related activity" means any sporting, social, 10 academic, or other activity for which students' attendance or 11 participation is sponsored, organized, or funded in whole or in 12 part by a school or school district.

13 (E) A prosecution for a violation of paragraph (k) of 14 subsection (A) of this Section may be commenced within 6 years 15 after the commission of the offense. A prosecution for a 16 violation of this Section other than paragraph (q) of 17 subsection (A) of this Section may be commenced within 5 years after the commission of the offense defined in the particular 18 19 paragraph.

20 (Source: P.A. 94-6, eff. 1-1-06; 94-284, eff. 7-21-05; 95-331, 21 eff. 8-21-07; 95-735, eff. 7-16-08.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect uponbecoming law.