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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 626, L.D. 846, Bill, "An Act Simplifying Dealer Sale of Firearms"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §455, as amended by PL 1979, c. 663, §92, is further amended to read:

§455. Record of sales of firearms

No A dealer shall may not sell, let or loan any firearm to any person without first recording in a book kept for the purpose the name or make, calibre and number, if any, of said firearm, and the name and address of the purchaser or recipient of said firearm making a copy of the form a dealer must keep as prescribed by 18 United States Code, Section 923. Said ~~record~~ shall The copy must be made and marked as "STATE COPY" before said the firearm is delivered, and shall ~~be~~ is open to the inspection of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer, constable, game warden or prosecuting attorney. Any dealer who fails to keep ~~that record~~ the copy or refuses to show it to any officer listed in this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed \$50 may be adjudged. Whoever gives a false or fictitious name to the dealer commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed \$50 may be adjudged. This section shall does not apply to wholesalers who sell only to other dealers or to manufacturers who sell only at wholesale.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment requires firearms dealers to make, mark and keep a separate copy of the federal form dealers must keep pursuant to 18 United States Code, Section 923. The federal form is similar to the form Maine dealers are currently required to keep, so copying the form lessens paperwork for dealers and satisfies the standard for record keeping. Maintaining a copy of the federal form also makes the information easily accessible by Maine law enforcement officers.

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