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**131st Legislature (2022-2024)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 2224 / SP0953

An Act to Strengthen Public Safety by Improving Maine's Firearm Laws and Mental Health System. Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. Public Hearing 03/07/24. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 04/15/24. Amended by: CA S-687, SA S-695. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/26/24, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 675.

**Original Bill**

[LD 2224 \(131st Legis. 2024\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law**

[LD 2224 / PL 2023, c. 675](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

- (Master file available on request—please include citation:cf131-LD-2224.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(03/07/2024\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(03/13/2024\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(03/21/2024\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(03/27/2024\)](#)

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**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(S-687\) \(LD 2224 2024\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SA \(S-695\) \(LD 2224 2024\) \(Passed\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[SENATE, February 22, 2024 \(S-1814-1831\)](#)

p. S-1818 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1821))

[HOUSE, February 27, 2024 \(H-1355-1369\)](#)

p. H-1360 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1361))

[SENATE, April 11, 2024 \(S-2264-2300\)](#)

p. S-2288 (Amendment(s) S-687)

[SENATE, April 12, 2024 \(S-2301-2346\)](#)

p. S-2319 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p2324)) (Amendment(s) S-687, S-695)

[HOUSE, April 15, 2024 \(H-1771-1786\)](#)

p. H-1775 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1780)) (Amendment(s) S-687, S-695)

[HOUSE, April 16, 2024 \(H-1787-1817\)](#)

p. H-1788 (Roll Call(s)(p1789)) (Amendment(s) S-687, S-695)

[SENATE, April 16, 2024 \(S-2365-2384\)](#)

p. S-2372 (Amendment(s) S-687, S-695)

[SENATE, April 17, 2024 \(S-2385-2444\)](#)

p. S-2435 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) S-687, S-695)

## Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2023, c. 675](#)

## News Articles

Mills unveils gun law reforms, mental health care expansion (Joe Lawlor) (Portland Press Herald, 2/23/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240222A.pdf)

Legislators clashing on process for gun safety hearings (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 2/23/2024, p. A1, A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240223A.pdf)

Gun law advocates, opponents pack hearings (Randy Billings, and Rachel Ohm) (Portland Press Herald, 3/8/2024, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240308C.pdf)

As lawmakers zero in on gun reforms, advocates describe a 'pivotal moment' (Billings, Randy and Ohm, Rachel) (Portland Press Herald, 3/14/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240314A.pdf)

Divided panel backs study of program to voluntarily give up guns (Ohm, Rachel) (Portland Press Herald, 3/22/2024, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240322B.pdf)

Expanded background checks, gun wait period move ahead (Rachel Ohm) (Portland Press Herald, 3/28/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240328B.pdf)

Maine Senate supports 72-hour waiting period, expanded background checks (Megan Gray) (Portland Press Herald, 4/16/2024, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240413A.pdf)

In close vote, House oks 72 hour wait when buying firearms (Rachel Ohm) (Portland Press Herald, 4/17/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240417B.pdf)

Mills signs 'yellow flag' changes into law (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 4/29/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/BDN 240427A.pdf)

Mills signs bill to expand background checks, strengthen 'yellow flag' law (Rachel Ohm) (Portland Press Herald, 4/29/2024, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD22xx/nc131-LD-2224/PPH 240427A.pdf)

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