



2021 Colorado and Federal Firearms Bills

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Colorado New Laws

[SB21-078 Reporting Lost and Stolen Firearms – Support](#)

Status: Signed by Governor Polis on April 19, 2021. Passed House and Senate on party-line Votes. (Sens. Jaquez Lewis/Danielson and Reps. Sullivan and Herod) Requires individual gun owners to report to law enforcement within 5 days after discovering a firearm is lost or stolen. Imposes \$25 fine on first offense, misdemeanor on subsequent.

[HB21-1106 Safe Storage – Support](#)

Status: Signed by Governor Polis on April 19, 2021. Passed House on near party-line vote. All Dems voted YES except D. Valdez. Passed Senate on party-line vote. (Reps. Duran/Mullica, Sens. Bridges/Hansen). Would require gun owners to safely store firearms so that they are not accessible to juveniles or prohibited persons. Requires gun stores to post information as to the law. Imposes a misdemeanor penalty. Also requires Office of Suicide Prevention to post on web site information on safe storage and provides for education program if monies are available.

Colorado Bills

[HB21-1255 Domestic Violence Firearms Relinquishment – Support](#)

Status: Passed House Judiciary on 7-4 party-line vote April 13, 2021. (Reps. Duran/Gray, Sens. Jaquez Lewis/Pettersen). Tightens court procedures and law enforcement responsibilities to ensure that those convicted of domestic violence misdemeanors or subject to domestic violence protection orders relinquish their firearms. Possession of firearms by these individuals is prohibited under state and federal laws.

[HB21-1298 Expand Background Checks – Support](#)

Status: Introduced April 29, 2021. House Judiciary hearing 5/5/21 at 1:30. (Reps. Amabile/Woodrow, Sens. Gonzales/Pettersen). 1) Prohibits firearm transfers to persons with certain violent misdemeanor convictions in the last 5 years. 2) Closes the Charleston Loophole by requiring gun buyer by removing time limit on background check 3) Extends appeal time for CBI from 30 days to 60. 4) Denies transfer of gun even if final disposition of criminal case is unclear.

[HB21-1299 Office of Gun Violence Prevention – Support](#)

Status: Introduced April 29, 2021. House Public and Behavioral Health hearing 5/7/21 after adjournment. (Reps. Sullivan/Bacon, Sens. Fields/Hansen). Establishes the office for gun violence prevention which will deal with education on existing gun laws, collect research in repository, and make grants to violence intervention programs if funds are available.

[SB21-256 Local Firearm Regulations – Support](#)

Status: Introduced April 29, 2021. (Sens. Fenberg/Moreno, Reps. Hooton/Daugherty). Allows local governments to enact laws to restrict the transfer and possession of firearms, ammunition and components that are stronger than state laws. Allows local governments, special districts and governing boards of colleges and universities to prohibit the carrying of concealed handguns in public buildings and areas under their jurisdiction.

Colorado Bills Defeated

[HB21-1038 Guns in School – Strongly Oppose](#)

Status: Defeated House State Affairs 3/17/21 on 4-7 party-line vote. (Rep. Neville). Would allow anyone with a concealed carry (CCW) permit to carry a hidden handgun into any K-12 public school. 9th consecutive year for a “guns in schools” bill.

HB21-1070 Repeal Ammunition Magazine Ban- Strongly Oppose

Status: Defeated House State Affairs 3/17/21 on 4-7 party-line vote. (Rep. Hanks) Would remove the 15-round limit imposed in 2013. 8th consecutive year for this proposal.

HB21-1082 Bypass Background Check with CCW permit –Oppose

Status: Defeated House State Affairs 3/17/21 on 4-7 party-line vote. (Rep. McKean). Would permit anyone with a CCW permit to bypass background check when seeking transfer of firearm. 3rd appearance since 2006.

HB21-1098 Civil Liability with ERPO – Strongly Oppose

Status: : Defeated House Judiciary 3/16/21 on 4-7 party-line vote. (Rep. Woog). Would allow anyone who suffers injury or damage who couldn't defend self because of an ERPO to sue anyone who drafted, proposed, promoted or provided support for the 2019 ERPO (Extreme Risk Protections Orders) law. In case of death or disability, damages assessed from \$100,000 - \$100 million. Amended so target of suit is petitioner and damage award at \$5000 + costs.

HB21-1185 Governor Emergency Powers – Oppose

Status: Defeated House State Affairs 3/17/21 on 4-7 party-line vote. (Rep. Neville) Would remove from the Governor's emergency powers the ability to suspend firearms sales and distributions. Also, would overturn SB13-195, which prohibited on-line concealed carry classes.

Federal Bills of Concern

There have been over 100 firearms-related bills already introduced in Congress. This is a selection of prominent ones.

H.R. 38 and S. 1522 Federally Mandated Concealed Carry (CCW) Reciprocity – Strongly oppose

Status: Introduced. House bill has 182 co-sponsors, including Boebert, Lamborn, and Buck from Colorado. Senate bill has 30 co-sponsors, none from Colorado. Would mandate that every state honor CCW permits from other states and also people from permitless states. House bill would allow someone denied a permit in Colorado to get one in a state that doesn't require residency and would allow individuals to take their guns into K-12 schools, and to sue law officers or political subdivision if they are arrested or detained.

S.1338 and H.R. 2814 Repeal PLCAA - Support

Status: Senate bill has 22 co-sponsors, none from Colorado. House bill has 33 co-sponsors, including Neguse and Crow of Colorado. Will repeal the law prohibiting lawsuits of any part of the gun industry, including dealers.

S. 736 and H.R. 1808 Assault Weapons Ban

Status: Senate Bill has 36 co-sponsors including Hickenlooper. House Bill has 201 co-sponsors including Crow, DeGette, Neguse and Perlmutter.

H.R. 8 and S.529 Universal Background Checks - Support

Status: Senate bill has 45 co-sponsors, including Bennet and Hickenlooper from Colorado. Passed House 3/11/2021 by 227-203, YES: Crow, DeGette, Neguse and Perlmutter, NO: Boebert, Buck and Lamborn. Universal Background Checks.

H.R. 1446 and S. 591 Enhanced Background Checks - Support

Status: Senate bill has 26 co-sponsors, none from Colorado. Passed House 3/11/2021 by 219-210, YES: Crow, DeGette, Neguse and Perlmutter, NO: Boebert, Buck and Lamborn. Close Charleston Loophole. Expand time for background checks. The Senate version requires background Check completion before transfer.

H.R. 1620 Reauthorize Violence Against Women Act - Support

Status: Passed House 3/17/2021 by 244-172, YES: Crow, DeGette, Neguse and Perlmutter, NO: Boebert, Buck and Lamborn. Has provisions prohibiting gun possession by stalkers, abusive dating partners.

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