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H. R. 4804

To amend the NICS Improvement Amendments Act of 2007 to provide notification to relevant law enforcement agencies in the event that a background check conducted by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System determines that a person may not receive a firearm, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 29, 2021

Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. TAKANO, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. JONES, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. ESCOBAR, and Mr. SOTO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Unlawful Gun Buyer
3 Alert Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. NOTIFICATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**
5 **OF PROHIBITED PURCHASE OR ATTEMPTED**
6 **PURCHASE OF A FIREARM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title I of the NICS Improvement
8 Amendments Act of 2007 (34 U.S.C. 40911–40917) is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

10 **“SEC. 108. NOTIFICATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGEN-**
11 **CIES OF PROHIBITED PURCHASE OR AT-**
12 **TEMPTED PURCHASE OF A FIREARM.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a background
14 check conducted by the National Instant Criminal Back-
15 ground Check System pursuant to the request of a li-
16 censed importer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer
17 of firearms (as such terms are defined in section 921 of
18 title 18, United States Code), which background check de-
19 termines that the receipt of a firearm by a person would
20 violate subsection (g) or (n) of section 922 of such title,
21 including any such case in which the determination is
22 made after 3 business days have elapsed since the licensee
23 contacted the System and a firearm has been transferred
24 to that person, the System shall notify the law enforce-
25 ment agencies described in subsection (b) of this section.

1 “(b) LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES DESCRIBED.—
2 The law enforcement agencies described in this subsection
3 are the law enforcement agencies that have jurisdiction
4 over the location from which the licensee contacted the
5 system and the law enforcement agencies that have juris-
6 diction over the location of the residence of the person for
7 which the background check was conducted, as follows:

8 “(1) The field office of the Federal Bureau of
9 Investigation.

10 “(2) The local law enforcement agency.

11 “(3) The State law enforcement agency.

12 “(c) REPORT TO THE CONGRESS.—Within 1 year
13 after the date of the enactment of this section, and annu-
14 ally thereafter, the Attorney General shall submit to the
15 Congress a written report on the notifications provided
16 under subsection (a) during the period covered by the re-
17 port, including the number of the notifications, and such
18 other relevant information as the Attorney General deems
19 appropriate.”.

20 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
21 of such Act (34 U.S.C. 10101 note) is amended by insert-
22 ing after the item relating to section 107 the following:

“108. Notification to law enforcement agencies of prohibited purchase or at-
tempted purchase of a firearm.”.

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