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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. REED, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BROWN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mrs. MURRAY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## A BILL

To amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to direct the Consumer Product Safety Commission to establish consumer product safety standards for firearm locks and firearm safes, and for other purposes.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Safe Gun Storage Act  
5 of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY STANDARDS FOR**  
2 **FIREARM LOCKS AND FIREARM SAFES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Consumer Product Safety  
4 Act (15 U.S.C. 2051 et seq.) is amended by adding at  
5 the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 43. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY STANDARDS FOR**  
7 **FIREARM LOCKS AND FIREARM SAFES.**

8 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS.—

9 “(1) RULEMAKING REQUIRED.—

10 “(A) RULEMAKING PROCEEDING.—Not-  
11 withstanding section 3(a)(5)(E), the Commis-  
12 sion shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding  
13 under section 553 of title 5, United States  
14 Code, within 90 days after the date of the en-  
15 actment of this section to establish—

16 “(i) a consumer product safety stand-  
17 ard for firearm locks; and

18 “(ii) a consumer product safety stand-  
19 ard for firearm safes.

20 “(B) FINAL RULE.—Notwithstanding any  
21 other provision of law, including chapter 5 of  
22 title 5, United States Code, the Commission  
23 shall promulgate final consumer product safety  
24 standards under this paragraph within 12  
25 months after the date on which the Commission

1 initiates the rulemaking proceeding under sub-  
2 paragraph (A).

3 “(C) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Each final con-  
4 sumer product safety standard promulgated  
5 under this paragraph shall take effect 6 months  
6 after the date on which such standard is pro-  
7 mulgated.

8 “(2) REQUIREMENTS FOR FIREARM LOCK  
9 STANDARD.—The standard for firearm locks promul-  
10 gated under paragraph (1) shall require firearm  
11 locks that—

12 “(A) are sufficiently difficult for an unau-  
13 thorized user to de-activate or remove; and

14 “(B) prevent the discharge of the firearm  
15 unless the firearm lock has been de-activated or  
16 removed.

17 “(3) REQUIREMENTS FOR FIREARM SAFE  
18 STANDARD.—The standard for firearm safes promul-  
19 gated under paragraph (1) shall require firearm  
20 safes that reliably secure firearms from unauthor-  
21 ized users, and include reliable security features,  
22 quality, and construction to reliably prevent unau-  
23 thorized users from gaining access to a firearm by  
24 damaging or physically manipulating the safe.

25 “(b) CERTAIN PROVISIONS NOT TO APPLY.—

1           “(1) PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.—Sections 7 and  
2           9 of this Act do not apply to the rulemaking pro-  
3           ceeding under paragraph (1) of subsection (a).

4           “(2) CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 5.—Except for sec-  
5           tion 553, chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code,  
6           does not apply to this section.

7           “(3) CHAPTER 6 OF TITLE 5.—Chapter 6 of  
8           title 5, United States Code, does not apply to this  
9           section.

10           “(4) NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY  
11           ACT.—The National Environmental Policy Act of  
12           1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) does not apply to this  
13           section.

14           “(c) NO EFFECT ON STATE LAW.—Notwithstanding  
15           section 26 of this Act, this section does not annul, alter,  
16           impair, affect, or exempt any person subject to a consumer  
17           product safety standard promulgated under subsection  
18           (a)(1) from complying with any provision of the law of  
19           any State or any political subdivision thereof, except to  
20           the extent that such provision is inconsistent with any  
21           such standard, and then only to the extent of the incon-  
22           sistency. A provision of the law of a State or a political  
23           subdivision thereof is not inconsistent with a consumer  
24           product safety standard promulgated under subsection  
25           (a)(1) if such provision affords greater protection to indi-

1 viduals with respect to firearms than is afforded by such  
2 standard.

3 “(d) ENFORCEMENT.—Notwithstanding subsection  
4 (b)(1), the consumer product safety standards promul-  
5 gated by the Commission under subsection (a)(1) shall be  
6 enforced under this Act as if such standards were con-  
7 sumer product safety standards described in section 7(a).

8 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 “(1) FIREARM.—The term ‘firearm’ has the  
10 meaning given the term in section 921(a) of title 18,  
11 United States Code.

12 “(2) FIREARM LOCK.—The term ‘firearm lock’  
13 means any disabling or locking device that is not  
14 built into the firearm at the time of manufacture  
15 and that is designed to prevent the firearm from  
16 being discharged unless the device has been deacti-  
17 vated or removed.

18 “(3) FIREARM SAFE.—The term ‘firearm safe’  
19 means a container that is advertised to be used to  
20 store a firearm and that is designed to be unlocked  
21 only by means of a key, a combination, or other  
22 similar means.”.

23 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1 of the  
24 Consumer Product Safety Act is amended by adding at  
25 the end of the table of contents the following:

“Sec. 43. Consumer product safety standards for firearm locks and firearm safes.”.

1 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       There are authorized to be appropriated to the Con-  
3 sumer Product Safety Commission \$2,000,000 to carry  
4 out the provisions of section 43 of the Consumer Product  
5 Safety Act, as added by section 1, such sums to remain  
6 available until expended.

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