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**SENATE BILL 25-158** 

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### **Senate Committees** State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Appropriations

#### **House Committees**

	A BILL FOR AN ACT
101	<b>CONCERNING CREATING STATE PROCUREMENT POLICIES FOR STATE</b>
102	AGENCIES IN THE TREATMENT OF CERTAIN ITEMS RELATED TO
103	WEAPONS.

## **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill creates procurement practices for firearms, ammunition, and firearms accessories by the state. The bill applies to all bids the state solicits, enters into, awards, amends, renews, or extends on and after January 1, 2026, for procuring firearms, ammunition, or firearms accessories from a contractor or bidder. During a governmental body's

contract solicitation process, request for proposal process, or request during the term of a contract, a contractor or bidder shall follow a procurement verification process (verification process) to confirm that the contractor or bidder engages in safe business practices.

The attorney general shall assist the department of personnel in developing processes and procedures to implement the verification process.

Each law enforcement agency shall destroy and dispose of:

- Service firearms that are retired, damaged, or declared surplus by the applicable law enforcement agency;
- Firearms purchased in a law enforcement agency buyback program;
- Firearms that are voluntarily surrendered to the law enforcement agency for destruction; and
- Any other firearms in the possession of the law enforcement agency that are not in use or subject to an investigation or criminal case.

If a peace officer receives one of these firearms, the peace officer shall give the firearm to the peace officer's employing law enforcement agency. The law enforcement agency may work with an organization or state agency it contracts with to destroy and dispose of the firearm.

The bill requires each law enforcement agency in the state, on or before September 5, 2025, to develop and maintain a policy on the destruction of firearms. The policy must include a process to:

- Identify and make a record of firearms that are required to be destroyed;
- Identify and make a record of firearms that are not required to be destroyed;
- Maintain the records of firearms to be destroyed; and
- Destroy and dispose of the firearms.

Upon the written order of a court or the district attorney that the retention of a firearm is necessary or proper in the pursuit of justice, the peace officer and the peace officer's employing law enforcement agency shall not destroy and dispose of the firearm. If the firearm is evidence in a criminal case, the firearm must be retained.

A law enforcement agency shall not destroy and dispose of a stolen firearm. Within 90 days after a recovered firearm is reported or identified as stolen, a peace officer shall restore the firearm to the lawful owner upon evidence of the lawful owner's identification of the firearm and proof of ownership. If the lawful owner's identity and address is reasonably ascertained and the lawful owner is given reasonable notice by certified mail that the firearm was recovered but the lawful owner does not respond within 60 days after the reasonable notice is given, the law enforcement agency may destroy and dispose of the firearm.

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1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-103-906, amend
3	(1)(a) as follows:
4	<b>24-103-906. Bid preference - state contracts.</b> (1) (a) Except as
5	provided in subsection (1)(b) of this section and in section 24-103-907
6	SECTIONS 24-103-907 AND 24-103-907.5, when a contract for
7	commodities or services is to be awarded to a bidder, a resident bidder
8	shall be IS allowed a preference against a nonresident bidder equal to the
9	preference given or required by the state in which the nonresident bidder
10	is a resident.
11	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 24-103-907.5 as
12	follows:
13	24-103-907.5. State purchases of firearms and ammunition
14	contractor or bidder - rules - legislative intent - definitions
15	(1) (a) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INTENDS THAT:
15 16	(1) (a) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INTENDS THAT:  (I) THIS SECTION IS CREATED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
16	(I) This section is created for the development of
16 17	(I) THIS SECTION IS CREATED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROCUREMENT PRACTICES FOR FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND FIREARMS
16 17 18	(I) THIS SECTION IS CREATED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROCUREMENT PRACTICES FOR FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND FIREARMS ACCESSORIES BY THE STATE; AND
16 17 18 19	(I) This section is created for the development of procurement practices for firearms, ammunition, and firearms accessories by the state; and  (II) This section applies to all bids the state <u>sources</u>
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1	FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND FIREARMS ACCESSORIES AND THROUGHOUT
2	THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT.
3	(2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
4	REQUIRES:
5	(a) "Ammunition" has the same meaning as set forth in
6	SECTION 39-37-103.
7	(b) "FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSE" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET
8	FORTH IN SECTION 18-12-401.
9	(c) "FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE" OR "LICENSEE" HAS THE SAME
10	MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION $18-12-101$ (1)(b.6).
11	(d) "FIREARM" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION
12	18-12-101 (1)(b.7).
13	(e) "FIREARMS ACCESSORY" MEANS ANY SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM OR
14	COMPONENT DESIGNED TO ENHANCE THE FUNCTIONALITY, PERFORMANCE,
15	OR USER EXPERIENCE OF A FIREARM. FIREARMS ACCESSORIES MAY
16	INCLUDE PARTS THAT MODIFY A FIREARM OR EXTERNAL EQUIPMENT THAT
17	IS USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FIREARM. FIREARMS ACCESSORIES
18	INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:
19	(I) SIGHTS AND OPTICS;
20	(II) Holsters;
21	(III) MAGAZINES;
22	(IV) GRIPS;
23	(V) SLINGS;
24	$(VI)\ Muzzle devices, suppressors, compensators, and flash$
25	HIDERS;
26	(VII) BIPODS;
2.7	(VIII) TRIGGER UPGRADES AND CONVERSION DEVICES:

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1	(IX) CLEANING KITS; OR
2	(X) AMMUNITION CARRIERS.
3	(f) "FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION BIDDER" OR "BIDDER" MEANS A
4	BIDDER WHO SUBMITS A BID IN RESPONSE TO AN INVITATION FOR BIDS
5	FROM A GOVERNMENTAL BODY FOR THE SALE OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION,
6	OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
7	(g) "FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION CONTRACTOR" OR "CONTRACTOR"
8	MEANS A CONTRACTOR WHO ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT
9	WITH A GOVERNMENTAL BODY FOR THE SALE OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION,
10	OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY PURSUANT TO
11	THIS SECTION.
12	(3)(a) During a governmental body's <u>contracting process</u> ,
13	A GOVERNMENTAL BODY'S SOURCING METHOD PROCESS CONDUCTED
14	PURSUANT TO THE CODE, AS APPLICABLE, OR UPON REQUEST DURING
15	THE TERM OF A CONTRACT WITH A GOVERNMENTAL BODY RELATING TO
16	THE PROCUREMENT OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS
17	ACCESSORIES, A FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION CONTRACTOR OR A FIREARMS
18	OR AMMUNITION BIDDER SHALL, IF APPLICABLE:
19	(I) COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION $18-12-401.5(1)$
20	TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF DEALING IN FIREARMS IN THE STATE, IF
21	APPLICABLE;
22	(II) PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY PROOF AND COPIES OF
23	ALL REQUIRED LICENSES, INCLUDING A FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSE,
24	PERMITS, AND CERTIFICATES;
25	(III) PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY MATERIALS
26	DOCUMENTING THE NUMBER OF UNITED STATES BUREAU OF ALCOHOL,
27	TOBACCO, FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES TRACE REQUESTS THE

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1	CONTRACTOR OR BIDDER RECEIVED EACH YEAR FOR THE PAST FIVE
2	CALENDAR YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE CONTRACT OR BID AND, IF
3	APPLICABLE, THE TIME BETWEEN THE SALE OF THE FIREARM SUBJECT TO
4	THE TRACE REQUEST AND THE CRIME THAT GENERATED THE TRACE
5	REQUEST;
6	(IV) PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY MATERIALS
7	DOCUMENTING ANY THEFT OR LOSS OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR
8	FIREARMS ACCESSORIES FROM THE PREMISES OF THE CONTRACTOR OR
9	BIDDER WITHIN THE PAST FIVE CALENDAR YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE
10	CONTRACT OR BID TO EVALUATE SECURITY CONCERNS;
11	(V) PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY A TRUE COPY OF THE
12	MOST RECENT INSPECTION REPORT OF ANY FIREARM, AMMUNITION, OR
13	FIREARMS ACCESSORIES INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY A STATE OR LOCAL
14	AGENCY, INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONAL MATERIALS DOCUMENTING
15	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY, IF
16	APPLICABLE;
17	(VI) DISCLOSE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY ANY VIOLATIONS
18	DISCOVERED FROM AN INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY A FEDERAL AGENCY
19	DURING THE LAST TWO FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS
20	ACCESSORIES INSPECTIONS, IF APPLICABLE, AND PROVIDE MATERIALS
21	DOCUMENTING THE CONTRACTOR'S OR BIDDER'S CORRECTIVE ACTIONS
22	TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO A FINDING OF NONCOMPLIANCE OR A VIOLATION OF
23	A FEDERAL FIREARM, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES LAW,
24	REGULATION, OR REQUIREMENT;
25	(VII) PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY IN WRITING ANY
26	PRACTICES OR POLICIES ADOPTED BY THE CONTRACTOR OR BIDDER,
27	INCLUDING ANY SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE PRACTICES OR

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1	POLICIES DURING THE SOURCING METHOD PROCESS CONDUCTED PURSUANT
2	TO THE CODE, AS APPLICABLE, AND CONTRACT TERM, TO:
3	(A) PREVENT, DETECT, AND SCREEN FOR THE TRANSFER OF
4	FIREARMS TO STRAW PURCHASERS OR FIREARM TRAFFICKERS;
5	(B) PREVENT, DETECT, AND SCREEN AGAINST SALES OF FIREARMS,
6	AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES TO INDIVIDUALS PROHIBITED
7	FROM POSSESSING A FIREARM BY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW, OR
8	COURT ORDER;
9	(C) PREVENT, DETECT, AND DOCUMENT THE THEFT OR LOSS OF
10	FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES;
11	(D) TRAIN EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS TO ENSURE
12	COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL
13	FIREARMS LAWS AND REGULATIONS; <u>AND</u>
14	(E) ASSIST LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE INVESTIGATION
15	AND PREVENTION OF CRIMINAL ACCESS TO FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR
16	FIREARMS ACCESSORIES; AND
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18	(VIII) COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL
19	LAWS.
20	(b) THE CONTRACTOR OR BIDDER SHALL AFFIRM AT THE TIME OF
21	THE BID THAT THE CONTRACTOR OR BIDDER SHALL NOT SELL
22	UNSERIALIZED GUN BUILD $\underline{\text{KITS.}}$ UNSERIALIZED FIREARMS, UNSERIALIZED
23	UNFINISHED FRAMES, OR UNFINISHED RECEIVERS THROUGH THE DURATION
24	OF THE CONTRACT. THE CONTRACTOR OR BIDDER SHALL PROVIDE
25	DOCUMENTATION TO PROVE COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL,
26	STATE, OR LOCAL LAWS RELATED TO FIREARM PRECURSOR PARTS.
27	(c) The contractor or bidder shall submit to the

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1	DEPARTMENT A CERTIFICATION STATEMENT, SIGNED AND AFFIRMED
2	UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 18-8-503, STATING
3	THAT THE MATERIALS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION
4	ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE.
5	(4) (a) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT
6	IN DEVELOPING PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THIS
7	SECTION, INCLUDING A PROCESS TO ADMINISTER AND ASSESS A
8	CONTRACTOR'S OR BIDDER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF
9	THIS SECTION. THE PROCESS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:
10	(I) DEVELOPING A PREQUALIFICATION PROCESS TO PREQUALIFY
11	POTENTIAL CONTRACTORS OR BIDDERS AS SET FORTH IN SECTION
12	24-103-402;
13	(II) DEVELOPING A SCORING SYSTEM TO EVALUATE A POTENTIAL
14	CONTRACTOR'S OR BIDDER'S RECORD OF SAFE BUSINESS PRACTICES THAT
15	IS USED IN AWARDING CONTRACTS OR PURCHASES; AND
16	(III) TERMINATING CONTRACTS WITH CONTRACTORS OR BIDDERS
17	FOUND TO BE NONCOMPLIANT WITH THE TERMS OF THIS SECTION DURING
18	THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT AS SET FORTH IN SECTION $24-106-101\ (3)(c)$
19	AND (3)(d).
20	(b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REJECT A BID OR PROPOSAL FOR A
21	FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES CONTRACT OR SALE
22	IF:
23	(I) A CONTRACTOR OR BIDDER HAS NOT SUBMITTED THE REQUIRED
24	DOCUMENTATION SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION;
25	(II) THE CONTRACTOR'S OR BIDDER'S REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION
26	Does not meet the standards set forth in subsection (3)(a) of this
27	SECTION; OR

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1	(III) The department determines the bidder or contractor
2	IS NOT ENGAGING IN SAFE BUSINESS PRACTICES.
3	(5) A GOVERNMENTAL BODY SHALL NOT WAIVE THE
4	REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION OR MAKE EXIGENT OR EMERGENCY
5	PURCHASES OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES TO
6	SUBVERT THIS SECTION.
7	(6) The department may adopt rules to implement this
8	SECTION.
9	(7) A RESIDENT BIDDER AND NONRESIDENT BIDDER ARE TREATED
10	EQUALLY FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. A RESIDENT BIDDER SHALL NOT
11	RECEIVE A BID PREFERENCE AGAINST A NONRESIDENT BIDDER FOR THE
12	PURCHASE OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, OR FIREARMS ACCESSORIES AS SET
13	FORTH IN SECTION 24-103-906 (1)(a).
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15	SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. Sections
16	1 and 2 of this act take effect January 1, 2026, and the remainder of this
17	act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
18	ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
19	that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
20	of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
21	act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
22	effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
23	November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
24	official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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