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HOUSE BILL 26-1144

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING MEASURES TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF**
102 **THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTING TO MANUFACTURE FIREARMS.**

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 defines 3-dimensional printing to mean additive and subtractive manufacturing. The bill prohibits each of the following:

- Manufacturing or producing a firearm, unfinished frame or receiver, large-capacity magazine, or rapid-fire device (firearm or firearm component) by 3-dimensional printing. The prohibition does not apply to a federally licensed

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- firearm manufacturer.
- Possessing, in circumstances that indicate intent to manufacture a firearm or firearm component in violation of state law or intent to distribute, digital instructions that may be used to program a 3-dimensional printer or a computer numerical control (CNC) milling machine to manufacture or produce a firearm or firearm component. The prohibition does not apply to a federally licensed firearm manufacturer who possesses digital instructions in circumstances that indicate intent to manufacture a firearm or firearm component.
- Distributing digital instructions that may be used to program a 3-dimensional printer or CNC milling machine to manufacture or produce a firearm or firearm component.

The bill does not prohibit possession of digital instructions in circumstances that indicate intent to distribute to, or distributing digital instructions to, a federally licensed firearm manufacturer.

A violation of any of the prohibitions in the bill is a class 1 misdemeanor; except that a second or subsequent offense is a class 5 felony.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 18-12-118 as
3 follows:

4 **18-12-118. Unlawful three-dimensional printing of a firearm**
5 **or firearm component - ___ penalties - definitions.**

6 (1) (a) A PERSON SHALL NOT **KNOWINGLY** MANUFACTURE OR
7 PRODUCE A FIREARM OR FIREARM COMPONENT BY MEANS OF
8 THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTING USING A THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTER,
9 CNC MILLING MACHINE, OR SIMILAR DEVICE.

10 (b) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBSECTION (1) COMMITS
11 UNLAWFUL THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTING OF A FIREARM OR FIREARM
12 COMPONENT. UNLAWFUL THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTING OF A FIREARM OR
13 FIREARM COMPONENT IS A CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR; EXCEPT THAT A
14 SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE IS A CLASS 5 FELONY.

1 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (1) DOES NOT APPLY TO:
2 (I) A FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM MANUFACTURER;
3 (II) AN INSTRUCTOR OR STUDENT OF AN ACCREDITED
4 GUNSMITHING PROGRAM, OR AN INSTITUTION THAT OPERATES AN
5 ACCREDITED GUNSMITHING PROGRAM, WHEN THE MANUFACTURE IS
6 SOLELY FOR PURPOSES OF EDUCATIONAL INSTRUCTION WITHIN THE
7 ACCREDITED GUNSMITHING PROGRAM.

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10 (2) THIS SECTION ONLY APPLIES TO POTENTIALLY FUNCTIONAL
11 FIREARMS AND FIREARM COMPONENTS AND DOES NOT APPLY TO THE
12 THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTING OF ANY OTHER COMPONENTS OR
13 COMPONENTS THAT COULD BE USED TO MAKE A NON-FUNCTIONING OR
14 PROP FIREARM.

15 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
16 REQUIRES:

17 (a) "CNC MILLING MACHINE" MEANS A COMPUTER NUMERICAL
18 CONTROL MILLING MACHINE.

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20 (b) "FIREARM COMPONENT" MEANS AN UNFINISHED FRAME OR
21 RECEIVER, LARGE-CAPACITY MAGAZINE, OR RAPID-FIRE DEVICE.

22 (c) "GUNSMITHING PROGRAM" MEANS A GUNSMITHING PROGRAM
23 OPERATED BY AN INSTITUTION.

24 (d) "INSTITUTION" MEANS A STATE-AUTHORIZED INSTITUTION OF
25 HIGHER EDUCATION OR INSTITUTION REGULATED BY THE COLORADO
26 DIVISION OF PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS.

27 (e) "LARGE-CAPACITY MAGAZINE" HAS THE SAME MEANING SET

1 FORTH IN SECTION 18-12-301.

2 (f) "THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTING" OR "3-D PRINTING" MEANS
3 ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING THAT BUILDS THREE-DIMENSIONAL OBJECTS
4 BY USE OF A THREE-DIMENSIONAL PRINTER OR SIMILAR DEVICE AND
5 SUBTRACTIVE MANUFACTURING THAT CREATES OBJECTS BY REMOVING
6 MATERIAL FROM A WORKPIECE BY USE OF A CNC MILLING MACHINE OR
7 SIMILAR DEVICE.

8 **SECTION 2. Severability.** If any provision of this act or the
9 application of this act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
10 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act that
11 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to
12 this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

13 **SECTION 3. Effective date - applicability.** This act takes effect
14 July 1, 2026, and applies to offenses committed on or after said date.

15 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
16 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
18 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
19 institutions.