

American Legion Auxiliary
New Mexico Girls State
Bill Instruction Sheet



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70TH SESSION – AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE – 2017

INTRODUCED BY

AN ACT

**RELATING TO THE MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF SCHOOL SHOOTINGS IN OUR
COUNTRY. IN THE ENTIRETY OF 2018, THERE HAVE BEEN 23 SCHOOL
SHOOTINGS. IT IS ONLY MAY. THIS AVERAGES OVER ONE SCHOOL SHOOTING
PER WEEK. I REMEMBER GOING TO SCHOOL AS A CHILD, NEVER ONCE FEARING
FOR MY SAFETY. MY BIGGEST WORRY WAS THE SCRAPED KNEE I GOT AT
RECESS OR THE FACT THAT MY MOTHER FORGOT TO CUT THE CRUST OFF MY
SANDWICH THAT MORNING. CHILDREN TODAY ARE CONSTANTLY FACED WITH
THE FACT THAT THEY MIGHT NOT RETURN HOME EVERY TIME THEY**

1 **GO TO SCHOOL. A LITTLE GIRL CAME HOME CRYING TO HER MOTHER BECAUSE**
2 **SHE THOUGHT HER LIGHT UP SHOES WOULD HELP THE SHOOTER SEE HER.**
3 **CHILDREN'S IMPENDING DEATH SHOULD NEVER BE A THING ON THEIR MIND. IF**
4 **WE MAKE LAWS STRICTER ON BUYING GUNS THIS COULD BE STOPPED. NO ONE**
5 **SHOULD BE ABLE TO BUY A GUN WITHOUT A PROPER BACKGROUND CHECK OR**
6 **TRAINING. CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SIMPLY TAKE THEIR PARENTS'**
7 **GUNS WITH THEM TO SCHOOL SO EASILY. WE NEED TO PROTECT OUR**
8 **CHILDREN AND STOP MAKING THESE WEAPONS SO ACCESSIBLE.**

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW
11 MEXICO GIRLS STATE:

12 Anyone over eighteen can walk into a gun shop and purchase a weapon ranging from a
13 pistol to an automatic rifle with probably little to no background check. A person with a
14 history of mental illness could purchase a gun just as easily as anyone else. That is what is
15 causing our problem. This act will make it a much more detailed process when buying this
16 weapon. You have to go through an extensive background check- they will see if you have
17 committed or charged against any crimes, have any previous history of mental illness, or
18 anything else that could lead to dangerous behavior with this weapon. This act will also
19 require gun training for anyone that purchases a gun. As you learn to drive you have to go
20 through a drivers education course because cars can be dangerous, and so can guns. This
21 course will serve like a driver's ed course to educate Americans about guns as most
22 actually know very little about these weapons. This will not stop any American from their
23 right to protect themselves with guns, as the second amendment states. This was a major
24 concern for many Americans as this situation came up. You will be allowed to protect
25 yourself with this weapon if you deem responsible and safe enough to be

1 given such a huge responsibility. This will also lead to a background check on anyone that
2 has guns, and it will be decided if they can keep their guns or not. If anyone commits a
3 crime or has a mental episode while legally allowed to own guns, their right and guns will
4 be taken away as they are no longer able to keep a gun with out American's safety being at
5 stake.

6 If any person is with a gun without having the proper license and training, they shall be
7 punished by imprisonment for a definite term not to exceed 30 years. After they may be
8 released but will never be allowed to own a gun again. If they are found with

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10 All laws, acts, provisions, or parts of laws contained in the Constitution of the State of New
11 Mexico in conflict with any provision of this act are hereby repealed.

12 Default Start - This section to be used as written.

