

State of New Mexico  
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FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION

February 21, 2025

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT number 5 to HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL  
8, as amended

Amendment sponsored by Senator

1. On page 2, line 5, after "THREAT;", insert "CREATING THE  
CRIME OF UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A STOLEN FIREARM AND PRESCRIBING A  
PENALTY;".

2. On page 39, between lines 5 and 6, insert:

"SECTION 17. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 7 NMSA 1978  
is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A STOLEN FIREARM.--

A. Unlawful possession of a stolen firearm consists of a  
person knowingly possessing or transporting a firearm that has been  
stolen or the person has reason to believe has been stolen, unless  
the firearm is received or retained with intent to restore it to the  
owner or to participate in a firearm buyback program.

B. As used in this section, "firearm" means a weapon that  
will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a  
projectile by the action of an explosion.

C. Each firearm possessed or transported in violation of  
this section shall constitute a separate offense.

D. A person charged under this section who is also a felon  
shall not also be charged under Section 30-7-16 NMSA 1978 for the  
same offense.

E. Whoever commits unlawful possession of a stolen firearm

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is guilty of a fourth degree felony."".

3. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

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(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)  
Date \_\_\_\_\_