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57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES; CREATING THE CRIME OF UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A STOLEN FIREARM; PROVIDING A PENALTY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 7 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

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

- 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 .229802.1GLG

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 is guilty of a fourth degree felony."

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