

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB1146

Introduced 1/12/2023, by Rep. Charles Meier

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 65/4 from Ch. 38, par. 83-4 430 ILCS 65/8 from Ch. 38, par. 83-8

Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Lowers the age at which a person may apply for a Firearm Owner's Identification Card without parental or legal guardian consent from 21 years of age to 18 years of age. Makes corresponding changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Firearm Owners Identification Card Act is amended by changing Sections 4 and 8 as follows:
- 6 (430 ILCS 65/4) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-4)
- Sec. 4. Application for Firearm Owner's Identification 8 Cards.
- 9 (a) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification
 10 Card must:
- 11 (1) Submit an application as made available by the 12 Illinois State Police; and
 - (2) Submit evidence to the Illinois State Police that:
 - (i) This subparagraph (i) applies through the 180th day following July 12, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-80). He or she is 21 years of age or over, or if he or she is under 21 years of age that he or she has the written consent of his or her parent or legal guardian to possess and acquire firearms and firearm ammunition and that he or she has never been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a traffic offense or adjudged delinquent, provided, however, that such parent or legal guardian is not an

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individual prohibited from having a Firearm Owner's Identification Card and files an affidavit with the Department as prescribed by the Department stating that he or she is not an individual prohibited from having a Card;

(i-5) This subparagraph (i-5) applies on and after the 181st day following July 12, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-80). He or she is $18 \frac{21}{2}$ years of age or over, or if he or she is under 18 21 years of age that he or she has never been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a traffic offense or adjudged delinquent and is an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces or has the written consent of his or her parent or legal guardian to possess and acquire firearms and firearm ammunition, provided, however, that, if the applicant is under 18 years of age, the such parent or legal quardian is not an individual prohibited from having a Firearm Owner's Identification Card and files an affidavit with the Illinois State Police as prescribed by the Illinois State Police stating that he or she is not an individual prohibited from having a Card or the active duty member of the United States Armed Forces under 18 21 years of age annually submits proof to the Illinois State Police, in a manner prescribed by the Illinois State Police;

1	(i-6) If he or she is under 21 years of age, that
2	he or she has never been convicted of a misdemeanor
3	other than a traffic offense or adjudged delinquent;
4	(ii) He or she has not been convicted of a felony
5	under the laws of this or any other jurisdiction;
6	(iii) He or she is not addicted to narcotics;
7	(iv) He or she has not been a patient in a mental
8	health facility within the past 5 years or, if he or
9	she has been a patient in a mental health facility more
10	than 5 years ago submit the certification required
11	under subsection (u) of Section 8 of this Act;
12	(v) He or she is not a person with an intellectual
13	disability;
14	(vi) He or she is not a noncitizen who is
15	unlawfully present in the United States under the laws
16	of the United States;
17	(vii) He or she is not subject to an existing order
18	of protection prohibiting him or her from possessing a
19	firearm;
20	(viii) He or she has not been convicted within the
21	past 5 years of battery, assault, aggravated assault,
22	violation of an order of protection, or a
23	substantially similar offense in another jurisdiction,
24	in which a firearm was used or possessed;
25	(ix) He or she has not been convicted of domestic
26	battery, aggravated domestic battery, or a

substantially similar offense in another jurisdiction committed before, on or after January 1, 2012 (the effective date of Public Act 97-158). If the applicant knowingly and intelligently waives the right to have an offense described in this clause (ix) tried by a jury, and by guilty plea or otherwise, results in a conviction for an offense in which a domestic relationship is not a required element of the offense but in which a determination of the applicability of 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(9) is made under Section 112A-11.1 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, an entry by the court of a judgment of conviction for that offense shall be grounds for denying the issuance of a Firearm Owner's Identification Card under this Section;

(x) (Blank);

- (xi) He or she is not a noncitizen who has been admitted to the United States under a non-immigrant visa (as that term is defined in Section 101(a)(26) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(26))), or that he or she is a noncitizen who has been lawfully admitted to the United States under a non-immigrant visa if that noncitizen is:
 - (1) admitted to the United States for lawful hunting or sporting purposes;
 - (2) an official representative of a foreign government who is:

1	(A) accredited to the united states
2	Government or the Government's mission to an
3	international organization having its
4	headquarters in the United States; or
5	(B) en route to or from another country to
6	which that noncitizen is accredited;
7	(3) an official of a foreign government or
8	distinguished foreign visitor who has been so
9	designated by the Department of State;
10	(4) a foreign law enforcement officer of a
11	friendly foreign government entering the United
12	States on official business; or
13	(5) one who has received a waiver from the
14	Attorney General of the United States pursuant to
15	18 U.S.C. 922(y)(3);
16	(xii) He or she is not a minor subject to a
17	petition filed under Section 5-520 of the Juvenile
18	Court Act of 1987 alleging that the minor is a
19	delinquent minor for the commission of an offense that
20	if committed by an adult would be a felony;
21	(xiii) He or she is not an adult who had been
22	adjudicated a delinquent minor under the Juvenile
23	Court Act of 1987 for the commission of an offense that
24	if committed by an adult would be a felony;
25	(xiv) He or she is a resident of the State of
26	Illinois;

1	(xv)	He or	she	has	not	been	adjudicated	as	а	person
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- (xvi) He or she has not been involuntarily admitted into a mental health facility; and
- 5 (xvii) He or she is not a person with a developmental disability; and
 - (3) Upon request by the Illinois State Police, sign a release on a form prescribed by the Illinois State Police waiving any right to confidentiality and requesting the disclosure to the Illinois State Police of limited mental health institution admission information from another state, the District of Columbia, any other territory of the United States, or a foreign nation concerning the applicant for the sole purpose of determining whether the applicant is or was a patient in a mental health institution and disqualified because of that status from receiving a Firearm Owner's Identification Card. No mental health care or treatment records may be requested. The information received shall be destroyed within one year of receipt.
 - (a-5) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification Card who is over the age of 18 shall furnish to the Illinois State Police either his or her Illinois driver's license number or Illinois Identification Card number, except as provided in subsection (a-10).
 - (a-10) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification

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Card, who is employed as a law enforcement officer, an armed security officer in Illinois, or by the United States Military permanently assigned in Illinois and who is not an Illinois resident, shall furnish to the Illinois State Police his or her driver's license number or state identification card number from his or her state of residence. The Illinois State Police may adopt rules to enforce the provisions of this subsection (a-10).

(a-15) If an applicant applying for a Firearm Owner's Identification Card moves from the residence address named in the application, he or she shall immediately notify in a form and manner prescribed by the Illinois State Police of that change of address.

(a-20) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification Card shall furnish to the Illinois State Police his or her photograph. An applicant who is 18 21 years of age or older seeking a religious exemption to the photograph requirement must furnish with the application an approved copy of United States Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form 4029. In lieu of a photograph, an applicant regardless of age seeking а religious exemption to the photograph requirement shall submit fingerprints on a form and manner prescribed by the Illinois State Police with his or her application.

(a-25) Beginning January 1, 2023, each applicant for the issuance of a Firearm Owner's Identification Card may include

a full set of his or her fingerprints in electronic format to the Illinois State Police, unless the applicant has previously provided a full set of his or her fingerprints to the Illinois State Police under this Act or the Firearm Concealed Carry Act.

The fingerprints must be transmitted through a live scan fingerprint vendor licensed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The fingerprints shall be checked against the fingerprint records now and hereafter filed in the Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases, including all available State and local criminal history record information files.

The Illinois State Police shall charge applicants a one-time fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the State and national criminal history record check.

(a-26) The Illinois State Police shall research, explore, and report to the General Assembly by January 1, 2022 on the feasibility of permitting voluntarily submitted fingerprints obtained for purposes other than Firearm Owner's Identification Card enforcement that are contained in the Illinois State Police database for purposes of this Act.

(b) Each application form shall include the following statement printed in bold type: "Warning: Entering false information on an application for a Firearm Owner's

- 1 Identification Card is punishable as a Class 2 felony in
- 2 accordance with subsection (d-5) of Section 14 of the Firearm
- 3 Owners Identification Card Act.".
- 4 (c) Upon such written consent, pursuant to Section 4,
- 5 paragraph (a)(2)(i), the parent or legal guardian giving the
- 6 consent shall be liable for any damages resulting from the
- 7 applicant's use of firearms or firearm ammunition.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 101-80, eff. 7-12-19; 102-237, eff. 1-1-22;
- 9 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 102-1030, eff.
- 10 5-27-22.)
- 11 (430 ILCS 65/8) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-8)
- 12 Sec. 8. Grounds for denial and revocation. The Illinois
- 13 State Police has authority to deny an application for or to
- 14 revoke and seize a Firearm Owner's Identification Card
- 15 previously issued under this Act only if the Illinois State
- Police finds that the applicant or the person to whom such card
- 17 was issued is or was at the time of issuance:
- 18 (a) A person under 21 years of age who has been
- 19 convicted of a misdemeanor other than a traffic offense or
- 20 adjudged delinquent;
- 21 (b) This subsection (b) applies through the 180th day
- following July 12, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act
- 23 101-80). A person under 21 years of age who does not have
- 24 the written consent of his parent or guardian to acquire
- and possess firearms and firearm ammunition, or whose

parent or guardian has revoked such written consent, or where such parent or guardian does not qualify to have a Firearm Owner's Identification Card;

- (b-5) This subsection (b-5) applies on and after the 181st day following July 12, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-80). A person under 18 21 years of age who is not an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces and does not have the written consent of his or her parent or guardian to acquire and possess firearms and firearm ammunition, or whose parent or guardian has revoked such written consent, or where such parent or guardian does not qualify to have a Firearm Owner's Identification Card;
- (c) A person convicted of a felony under the laws of this or any other jurisdiction;
 - (d) A person addicted to narcotics;
- (e) A person who has been a patient of a mental health facility within the past 5 years or a person who has been a patient in a mental health facility more than 5 years ago who has not received the certification required under subsection (u) of this Section. An active law enforcement officer employed by a unit of government or a Department of Corrections employee authorized to possess firearms who is denied, revoked, or has his or her Firearm Owner's Identification Card seized under this subsection (e) may obtain relief as described in subsection (c-5) of Section

10 of this Act if the officer or employee did not act in	ı a
manner threatening to the officer or employee, anoth	ıer
person, or the public as determined by the treati	.ng
clinical psychologist or physician, and the officer	or
employee seeks mental health treatment;	

- (f) A person whose mental condition is of such a nature that it poses a clear and present danger to the applicant, any other person or persons, or the community;
 - (g) A person who has an intellectual disability;
- (h) A person who intentionally makes a false statement in the Firearm Owner's Identification Card application;
- (i) A noncitizen who is unlawfully present in the United States under the laws of the United States;
- (i-5) A noncitizen who has been admitted to the United States under a non-immigrant visa (as that term is defined in Section 101(a)(26) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(26))), except that this subsection (i-5) does not apply to any noncitizen who has been lawfully admitted to the United States under a non-immigrant visa if that noncitizen is:
 - (1) admitted to the United States for lawful hunting or sporting purposes;
 - (2) an official representative of a foreign government who is:
 - (A) accredited to the United States Government or the Government's mission to an international

Τ	organization having its headquarters in the United
2	States; or
3	(B) en route to or from another country to
4	which that noncitizen is accredited;
5	(3) an official of a foreign government or
6	distinguished foreign visitor who has been so
7	designated by the Department of State;
8	(4) a foreign law enforcement officer of a
9	friendly foreign government entering the United States
10	on official business; or
11	(5) one who has received a waiver from the
12	Attorney General of the United States pursuant to 18
13	U.S.C. 922(y)(3);
14	(j) (Blank);
15	(k) A person who has been convicted within the past 5
16	years of battery, assault, aggravated assault, violation
17	of an order of protection, or a substantially similar
18	offense in another jurisdiction, in which a firearm was
19	used or possessed;
20	(1) A person who has been convicted of domestic
21	battery, aggravated domestic battery, or a substantially
22	similar offense in another jurisdiction committed before,
23	on or after January 1, 2012 (the effective date of Public
24	Act 97-158). If the applicant or person who has been
25	previously issued a Firearm Owner's Identification Card

under this Act knowingly and intelligently waives the

right to have an offense described in this paragraph (1) tried by a jury, and by guilty plea or otherwise, results in a conviction for an offense in which a domestic relationship is not a required element of the offense but in which a determination of the applicability of 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(9) is made under Section 112A-11.1 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, an entry by the court of a judgment of conviction for that offense shall be grounds for denying an application for and for revoking and seizing a Firearm Owner's Identification Card previously issued to the person under this Act;

- (m) (Blank);
- (n) A person who is prohibited from acquiring or possessing firearms or firearm ammunition by any Illinois State statute or by federal law;
- (o) A minor subject to a petition filed under Section 5-520 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 alleging that the minor is a delinquent minor for the commission of an offense that if committed by an adult would be a felony;
- (p) An adult who had been adjudicated a delinquent minor under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 for the commission of an offense that if committed by an adult would be a felony;
- (q) A person who is not a resident of the State of Illinois, except as provided in subsection (a-10) of Section 4;

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- 1 (r) A person who has been adjudicated as a person with 2 a mental disability;
 - (s) A person who has been found to have a developmental disability;
 - (t) A person involuntarily admitted into a mental health facility; or
 - (u) A person who has had his or her Firearm Owner's Identification Card revoked or denied under subsection (e) of this Section or item (iv) of paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Section 4 of this Act because he or she was a patient in a mental health facility as provided in subsection (e) of this Section, shall not be permitted to obtain a Firearm Owner's Identification Card, after the 5-year period has lapsed, unless he or she has received a mental health evaluation by a physician, psychologist, or qualified examiner as those terms are defined the Mental Health in and Developmental Disabilities Code, and has received a certification that he or she is not a clear and present danger to himself, herself, or others. The physician, clinical psychologist, or qualified examiner making the certification and his or her employer shall not be held criminally, civilly, or professionally liable for making or not making the certification required under this subsection, except for willful or wanton misconduct. This subsection does not apply to a person whose firearm possession rights have

- 1 been restored through administrative or judicial action
- 2 under Section 10 or 11 of this Act.
- 3 Upon revocation of a person's Firearm Owner's
- 4 Identification Card, the Illinois State Police shall provide
- 5 notice to the person and the person shall comply with Section
- 6 9.5 of this Act.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 101-80, eff. 7-12-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21;
- 8 102-645, eff. 1-1-22; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 102-1030, eff.
- 9 5-27-22.)