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Introduced 2/6/2024, by Sen. Dale Fowler

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 minimum age in which a person who is not an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces or the Illinois National Guard 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. Provides that an applicant who is 18 (rather than 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.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

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

4 Section 5. The Firearm Owners Identification Card Act is 5 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 Identification8 Cards.

9 (a) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification10 Card must:

(1) Submit an application as made available by the
 Illinois State Police; and

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(2) Submit evidence to the Illinois State Police that:

14 (i) (Blank); This subparagraph (i) applies through the 180th day following July 12, 2019 (the effective 15 16 date of Public Act 101 80). He or she is 21 years of 17 age or over, or if he or she is under 21 years of age -or she has the written consent of his or 18 that he 19 parent or legal guardian to possess and acquire firearms and firearm ammunition and that he or she has 20 21 never been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a traffic offense or adjudged delinguent, provided, 22 however, that such parent or legal guardian is not an 23

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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;

6 (i-4) If he or she is under 21 years of age, he or
7 she has never been convicted of a misdemeanor other
8 than a traffic offense or adjudged delinquent;

(i-5) This subparagraph (i 5) applies on and after 9 10 the 181st day following July 12, 2019 (the effective 11 date of Public Act 101-80). He or she is 18 21 years of 12 age or over, or if he or she is under 18 21 years of 13 age, that he or she has never been convicted of misdemeanor other than a traffic offense or adjudged 14 15 delinquent and is an active duty member of the United 16 States Armed Forces or the Illinois National Guard or has the written consent of his or her parent or legal 17 18 guardian to possess and acquire firearms and firearm 19 ammunition, provided, however, that such parent or 20 legal guardian is not an individual prohibited from 21 having a Firearm Owner's Identification Card and files 22 an affidavit with the Illinois State Police as 23 prescribed by the Illinois State Police stating that 24 he or she is not an individual prohibited from having a 25 Card or the active duty member of the United States 26 Armed Forces or the Illinois National Guard under 18 21 years of age annually submits proof to the Illinois State Police, in a manner prescribed by the Illinois State Police;

(ii) He or she has not been convicted of a felony under the laws of this or any other jurisdiction;

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(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 intellectual13 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;

(vii) He or she is not subject to an existing order
of protection prohibiting him or her from possessing a
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;

(ix) He or she has not been convicted of domestic
battery, aggravated domestic battery, or a

substantially similar offense in another jurisdiction 1 committed before, on or after January 1, 2012 (the 2 effective date of Public Act 97-158). If the applicant 3 knowingly and intelligently waives the right to have 4 5 an offense described in this clause (ix) tried by a jury, and by guilty plea or otherwise, results in a 6 7 conviction for an offense in which a domestic relationship is not a required element of the offense 8 9 but in which a determination of the applicability of 10 18 U.S.C. 922(q)(9) is made under Section 112A-11.1 of 11 the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, an entry by the 12 court of a judgment of conviction for that offense 13 shall be grounds for denying the issuance of a Firearm Owner's Identification Card under this Section; 14

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(x) (Blank);

16 (xi) He or she is not a noncitizen who has been 17 admitted to the United States under a non-immigrant visa (as that term is defined in Section 101(a)(26) of 18 U.S.C. 19 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 20 1101(a)(26))), or that he or she is a noncitizen who 21 has been lawfully admitted to the United States under 22 a non-immigrant visa if that noncitizen is:

23 (1) admitted to the United States for lawful
24 hunting or sporting purposes;

25 (2) an official representative of a foreign26 government who is:

accredited to the United 1 (A) States 2 Government or the Government's mission to an 3 international organization having its headquarters in the United States; or 4 5 (B) en route to or from another country to which that noncitizen is accredited; 6 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 States on official business; or 12 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 Court Act of 1987 alleging that the minor is a 18 delinquent minor for the commission of an offense that 19 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 delinguent minor under the Juvenile 23 Court Act of 1987 for the commission of an offense that if committed by an adult would be a felony; 24 (xiv) He or she is a resident of the State of 25

26 Illinois;

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(xv) He or she has not been adjudicated as a person
 with a mental disability;

(xvi) He or she has not been involuntarily admitted into a mental health facility; and

(xvii) He or she is not a person with a developmental disability; and

7 (3) Upon request by the Illinois State Police, sign a 8 release on a form prescribed by the Illinois State Police 9 waiving any right to confidentiality and requesting the 10 disclosure to the Illinois State Police of limited mental 11 health institution admission information from another 12 state, the District of Columbia, any other territory of 13 the United States, or a foreign nation concerning the 14 applicant for the sole purpose of determining whether the 15 applicant is or was a patient in a mental health 16 institution and disgualified because of that status from 17 receiving a Firearm Owner's Identification Card. No mental health care or treatment records may be requested. The 18 19 information received shall be destroyed within one year of 20 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).

26 (a-10) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification

Card, who is employed as a law enforcement officer, an armed 1 2 security officer in Illinois, or by the United States Military permanently assigned in Illinois and who is not an Illinois 3 resident, shall furnish to the Illinois State Police his or 4 5 her driver's license number or state identification card number from his or her state of residence. The Illinois State 6 7 Police may adopt rules to enforce the provisions of this 8 subsection (a-10).

9 (a-15) If an applicant applying for a Firearm Owner's 10 Identification Card moves from the residence address named in 11 the application, he or she shall immediately notify in a form 12 and manner prescribed by the Illinois State Police of that 13 change of address.

(a-20) Each applicant for a Firearm Owner's Identification 14 15 Card shall furnish to the Illinois State Police his or her 16 photograph. An applicant who is 21 years of age or older 17 seeking a religious exemption to the photograph requirement must furnish with the application an approved copy of United 18 19 States Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service 20 Form 4029. In lieu of a photograph, an applicant regardless of 21 age seeking а religious exemption to the photograph 22 requirement shall submit fingerprints on a form and manner 23 prescribed by the Illinois State Police with his or her 24 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.

6 The fingerprints must be transmitted through a live scan 7 fingerprint vendor licensed by the Department of Financial and 8 Professional Regulation. The fingerprints shall be checked 9 against the fingerprint records now and hereafter filed in the 10 Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation 11 criminal history records databases, including all available 12 State and local criminal history record information files.

13 The Illinois State Police shall charge applicants a 14 one-time fee for conducting the criminal history record check, 15 which shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund 16 and shall not exceed the actual cost of the State and national 17 criminal history record check.

(a-26) The Illinois State Police shall research, explore, 18 19 and report to the General Assembly by January 1, 2022 on the 20 feasibility of permitting voluntarily submitted fingerprints 21 obtained for purposes other than Firearm Owner's 22 Identification Card enforcement that are contained in the 23 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

Identification Card is punishable as a Class 2 felony in
 accordance with subsection (d-5) of Section 14 of the Firearm
 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; 102-1116, eff. 1-10-23.)

11 (430 ILCS 65/8) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-8)

Sec. 8. Grounds for denial and revocation. The Illinois State Police has authority to deny an application for or to revoke and seize a Firearm Owner's Identification Card previously issued under this Act only if the Illinois State Police finds that the applicant or the person to whom such card 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;

(b) (Blank); This subsection (b) applies through the
180th day following July 12, 2019 (the effective date of
Public Act 101-80). A person under 21 years of age who does
not have the written consent of his parent or guardian to
acquire and possess firearms and firearm ammunition, or

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

(b-5) This subsection (b-5) applies on and after the 4 5 181st day following July 12, 2019 (the effective date of 6 Public Act 101 80). A person under <u>18</u> 21 years of age who 7 is not an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces or the Illinois National Guard and does not have 8 9 the written consent of his or her parent or quardian to 10 acquire and possess firearms and firearm ammunition, or 11 whose parent or guardian has revoked such written consent, 12 or where such parent or guardian does not qualify to have a Firearm Owner's Identification Card; 13

14 (c) A person convicted of a felony under the laws of 15 this or any other jurisdiction;

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(d) A person addicted to narcotics;

17 (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 18 19 patient in a mental health facility more than 5 years ago 20 who has not received the certification required under subsection (u) of this Section. An active law enforcement 21 22 officer employed by a unit of government or a Department 23 of Corrections employee authorized to possess firearms who 24 is denied, revoked, or has his or her Firearm Owner's 25 Identification Card seized under this subsection (e) may obtain relief as described in subsection (c-5) of Section 26

1 10 of this Act if the officer or employee did not act in a 2 manner threatening to the officer or employee, another 3 person, or the public as determined by the treating 4 clinical psychologist or physician, and the officer or 5 employee seeks mental health treatment;

6 (f) A person whose mental condition is of such a 7 nature that it poses a clear and present danger to the 8 applicant, any other person or persons, or the community;

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(g) A person who has an intellectual disability;

10 (h) A person who intentionally makes a false statement 11 in the Firearm Owner's Identification Card application or 12 endorsement affidavit;

(i) A noncitizen who is unlawfully present in the
United States under the laws of the United States;

15 (i-5) A noncitizen who has been admitted to the United 16 States under a non-immigrant visa (as that term is defined 17 in Section 101(a)(26) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(26))), except that this subsection 18 19 (i-5) does not apply to any noncitizen who has been 20 lawfully admitted to the United States under а non-immigrant visa if that noncitizen is: 21

(1) admitted to the United States for lawful
 hunting or sporting purposes;

24 (2) an official representative of a foreign25 government who is:

(A) accredited to the United States Government

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1or the Government's mission to an international2organization having its headquarters in the United3States; or

4 (B) en route to or from another country to
5 which that noncitizen is accredited;

6 (3) an official of a foreign government or 7 distinguished foreign visitor who has been so 8 designated by the Department of State;

9 (4) a foreign law enforcement officer of a 10 friendly foreign government entering the United States 11 on official business; or

12 (5) one who has received a waiver from the
13 Attorney General of the United States pursuant to 18
14 U.S.C. 922(y)(3);

15 (j) (Blank);

16 (k) A person who has been convicted within the past 5 17 years of battery, assault, aggravated assault, violation 18 of an order of protection, or a substantially similar 19 offense in another jurisdiction, in which a firearm was 20 used or possessed;

(1) A person who has been convicted of domestic
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 or person who has been
previously issued a Firearm Owner's Identification Card

under this Act knowingly and intelligently waives the 1 2 right to have an offense described in this paragraph (1) 3 tried by a jury, and by guilty plea or otherwise, results in a conviction for an offense in which a domestic 4 5 relationship is not a required element of the offense but in which a determination of the applicability of 18 U.S.C. 6 7 922(g)(9) is made under Section 112A-11.1 of the Code of 8 Criminal Procedure of 1963, an entry by the court of a 9 judgment of conviction for that offense shall be grounds 10 for denying an application for and for revoking and 11 seizing a Firearm Owner's Identification Card previously 12 issued to the person under this Act;

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(m) (Blank);

14 (n) A person who is prohibited from acquiring or
15 possessing firearms or firearm ammunition by any Illinois
16 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

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1 Section 4;

2 (r) A person who has been adjudicated as a person with
3 a mental disability;

4 (s) A person who has been found to have a
5 developmental disability;

6 (t) A person involuntarily admitted into a mental 7 health facility; or

(u) A person who has had his or her Firearm Owner's 8 9 Identification Card revoked or denied under subsection (e) of this Section or item (iv) of paragraph (2) 10 of 11 subsection (a) of Section 4 of this Act because he or she 12 was a patient in a mental health facility as provided in subsection (e) of this Section, shall not be permitted to 13 14 obtain a Firearm Owner's Identification Card, after the 15 5-year period has lapsed, unless he or she has received a 16 mental health evaluation by a physician, clinical 17 psychologist, or qualified examiner as those terms are defined the Mental 18 in Health and Developmental 19 Disabilities Code, and has received a certification that 20 he or she is not a clear and present danger to himself, 21 herself, or others. The physician, clinical psychologist, 22 or qualified examiner making the certification and his or 23 her employer shall not be held criminally, civilly, or 24 professionally liable for making or not making the 25 certification required under this subsection, except for willful or wanton misconduct. This subsection does not 26

1 apply to a person whose firearm possession rights have 2 been restored through administrative or judicial action 3 under Section 10 or 11 of this Act.

4 Upon revocation of a person's Firearm Owner's 5 Identification Card, the Illinois State Police shall provide 6 notice to the person and the person shall comply with Section 7 9.5 of this Act.

8 (Source: P.A. 101-80, eff. 7-12-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21;
9 102-645, eff. 1-1-22; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 102-1030, eff.
10 5-27-22; 102-1116, eff. 1-10-23.)