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Introduced by Representatives Savage of Swanton, Bancroft of Westford,
Brennan of Colchester, Burditt of West Rutland, Donahue of
Northfield, Fegard of Berkshire, Gamache of Swanton, McCoy
of Poultney, Page of Newport City, Smith of Derby, Smith of
New Haven, Terenzini of Rutland Town, and Toof of St. Albans
Town

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Crimes; firearms; possession by persons convicted of a violent crime

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to create an
exception to the prohibition on firearms possession by persons convicted of
violent crimes if the conviction is for violating an abuse prevention order and
the offense was committed before July 1, 2015.

An act relating to possession of firearms by persons convicted of a violent
crime

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 4017 is amended to read:

§ 4017. PERSONS PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING FIREARMS;

CONVICTION OF VIOLENT CRIME

1 (a) A person shall not possess a firearm if the person has been convicted of
2 a violent crime.

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4 (d) As used in this section:

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6 (3) "Violent crime" means:

7 (A)(i) A listed crime as defined in subdivision 5301(7) of this title
8 other than:

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10 (V) leaving the scene of an accident resulting in serious bodily
11 injury or death as defined in 23 V.S.A. § 1128(b) or (c); ~~or~~

12 (VI) a violation of section 1030 of this title (violation of abuse
13 prevention order) committed before July 1, 2015; or

14 (VII) a misdemeanor violation of chapter 28 of this title,
15 relating to abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults; or

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17 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on passage.