
This act summary is provided for the convenience of the public and members of the General Assembly. It is intended to provide a general summary of the act and may not be exhaustive. It has been prepared by the staff of the Office of Legislative Counsel without input from members of the General Assembly. It is not intended to aid in the interpretation of legislation or to serve as a source of legislative intent.

Act No. 87 (S.4). Criminal procedures; firearms

An act relating to procedures involving firearms

This act prohibits the possession of firearms in hospital buildings; extends the default proceed period established by Federal firearms background check law so that a firearm transfer may proceed without a response from the National Instant Criminal Background Check System after seven business days; clarifies that health care providers may provide relevant information to law enforcement officers about potentially dangerous patients without violating the privacy provisions of HIPAA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, when the health care provider reasonably believes that the patient poses an extreme risk of causing harm to themselves or another person by purchasing, possessing, or receiving a dangerous weapon or by having a dangerous weapon; permits out-of-state residents to bring large capacity magazines into Vermont for the exclusive use at organized shooting competitions; and permits a court issuing a relief from abuse order to include a requirement that that the defendant immediately relinquish, until the expiration of the order, all firearms that are in the defendant's possession, ownership, or control and refrain from acquiring or possessing any firearms while the order is in effect.

Effective Date: July 1, 2022