

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

January 11, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. WEPRIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to creating penalties for straw purchasers of firearms

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 115.08 of the penal law, as added by chapter 422 of  
2 the laws of 1978, is amended to read as follows:

3 § 115.08 Criminal facilitation in the first degree.

4 A person is guilty of criminal facilitation in the first degree  
5 when~~[7]~~:

6 1. believing it probable that he or she is rendering aid to a person  
7 under sixteen years of age who intends to engage in conduct that would  
8 constitute a class A felony, he or she, being over eighteen years of  
9 age, engages in conduct which provides such person with means or oppor-  
10 tunity for the commission thereof and which in fact aids such person to  
11 commit such a class A felony; or

12 2. he or she purchases a firearm in his or her name with the intent  
13 of transferring possession of such firearm to another individual and  
14 does so transfer such firearm; or

15 3. he or she allows another person to use his or her firearm to engage  
16 in the commission of a class A or class B felony.

17 Criminal facilitation in the first degree is a class B felony.

18 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
19 have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[~~-~~] is old law to be omitted.

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