STATE OF NEW YORK

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

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to establishing the ammunition purchase certification act

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

Section 1. This act shall be known as the "ammunition purchase certification act".

§ 2. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 400.04 to read as follows:

§ 400.04 Ammunition purchase permit number.

1. No person shall purchase ammunition in this state without a valid ammunition purchase permit number issued by the division of state police. The division of state police shall serve as the point of contact for the processing of ammunition purchasing permits and shall establish criteria and procedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of such permits.

2. An ammunition purchase permit shall be issued subsequent to an individual passing the required background check for the purchase of ammunition or after approval via application, as determined by the division of state police, and shall be valid for a period of one year from such initial purchase or date of issue. There shall be no additional fee for such issuance. The current fee of two dollars and fifty cents shall be charged at the time of the initial purchase or filing of the application and any subsequent renewal.

3. Each permit shall be a physical permit card with a unique identification number. From the date of issuance, purchasers shall use either the permit card or its unique identification number when purchasing ammunition.

4. The permit number may be renewed for a subsequent period of one year upon a valid purchase after the expiration of such permit number.

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

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5. An ammunition purchase permit number may be revoked at any time by the division of state police.

6. The division of state police shall notify the holder of an ammunition purchase permit of the suspension or revocation of their permit in writing by certified mail and such suspension or revocation shall be noted in the statewide license and record database for licensees and sellers.

7. A person who purchases ammunition without a valid ammunition purchase permit number is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the twelfth month after it shall have become a law.