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H. R. 1004

To prohibit the sale of a firearm to, and the purchase of a firearm by, a person who is not covered by appropriate liability insurance coverage.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 11, 2021

Mrs. Carolyn B. Maloney of New York (for herself and Mr. Carson) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Firearm Risk Protec-
- 5 tion Act of 2021".

1	SEC.	2.	PROHIBITIO	ONS O	N SALE	OF	FIREARM	TO,	AND	PUR-

- 2 CHASE OF FIREARM BY, A PERSON NOT COV-
- 3 ERED BY APPROPRIATE LIABILITY INSUR-
- 4 ANCE.
- 5 (a) Prohibitions.—Section 922 of title 18, United
- 6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 7 lowing:
- 8 "(aa)(1)(A)(i) It shall be unlawful for a person to
- 9 purchase a firearm unless, at the time of the purchase,
- 10 the purchaser presents to the seller proof that the pur-
- 11 chaser is covered by a qualified liability insurance policy.
- 12 "(ii) It shall be unlawful for a person to sell a firearm
- 13 unless, at the time of the sale, the seller verifies that the
- 14 purchaser is covered by a qualified liability insurance pol-
- 15 icy.
- 16 "(iii) It shall be unlawful for a person who owns a
- 17 firearm purchased on or after the effective date of this
- 18 subsection not to be covered by a qualified liability insur-
- 19 ance policy.
- 20 "(B) Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to the pur-
- 21 chase or sale of a firearm for the use of the United States
- 22 or any department or agency of the United States, or any
- 23 State or any department, agency, or political subdivision
- 24 of a State.

- 1 "(2) In paragraph (1), the term 'qualified liability in-
- 2 surance policy' means, with respect to the purchaser of
- 3 a firearm, a policy that—
- 4 "(A) provides liability insurance covering the
- 5 purchaser specifically for losses resulting from use of
- 6 the firearm while it is owned by the purchaser; and
- 7 "(B) is issued by an insurer licensed or author-
- 8 ized to provide the coverage by the State insurance
- 9 regulatory authority for the State in which the pur-
- 10 chaser resides.".
- 11 (b) Penalty.—Section 924 of such title is amended
- 12 by adding at the end the following:
- 13 "(q) Whoever violates section 922(aa) shall be fined
- 14 not more than \$10,000.".
- 15 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 16 this section shall apply to conduct engaged in after the
- 17 180-day period that begins with the date of the enactment
- 18 of this Act.

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