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AN ACT PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP BY STREAMLINING AND AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT"

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

As stated in Section 5, Article II of the 1987 Constitution, it is the declared policy of the State that, "The maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy."

To give force and effect to the aforesaid provision, Republic Act No. 10591, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act" was enacted. The said Act sought to provide for a comprehensive law regulating the ownership, possession, carrying, manufacture, dealing in and importation of firearms, ammunition or parts thereof. However, statistics show the proliferation of loose firearms, illegal manufacturing of firearms and ammunition, and crimes involving unregistered firearms are still prevalent in our country.

Data gathered by the Philippine National Police show that from 2013 to 2015, ninety-nine percent (99%) of firearm-related crimes involved unlicensed firearms. Also, data from the Firearms and Explosives Office show that there are 1, 747, 775 firearms with expired registration.

This bill seeks to streamline the registration and renewal process of gun ownership, manufacturing, dealing, selling, importing, exporting and gunsmithing. It is hoped that through this bill, registration of firearms and firearm - related activities such as those aforementioned will be encouraged and eventually, proliferation of loose firearms and its effects on peace and order of our country will be curb

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of this Act, subsections (b), (i), (m), (o), (p), (s), (dd) and (ee) of Section 3 of Republic Act No. 10591, otherwise known as "Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act" are hereby amended as follows:

- "(b) Ammunition refers to a complete [unfixed] **UNFIRED** unit consisting of a bullet, gunpowder, cartridge case and primer or loaded shell for use in any firearm.
  - 1. BULLET REFERS TO THE PROJECTILE PROPELLED THROUGH THE BARREL OF A FIREARM BY MEANS OF THE EXPANSIVE FORCE OF GASES COMING FROM BURNING GUNPOWDER.
  - 2. CARTRIDGE CASE REFERS TO THE CONTAINER, USUALLY METAL AND CYLINDRICAL IN SHAPE, TO BE LOADED WITH A PRIMER, POWDER CHARGE AND BULLET. AFTER LOADING, IT BECOMES A COMPLETE CARTRIDGE, OF WHICH THE CASE IS BUT ONE ELEMENT. IT IS COMMONLY MADE OF BRASS, ALTHOUGH SOME MODERN CARTRIDGE CASES ARE MADE OF STEEL, ALUMINUM, OR OTHER MATERIALS.
  - 3. GUNPOWDER REFERS TO ANY EXPLOSIVE POWDER USED TO PROPEL PROJECTILES INTENDED FOR FIREARMS.
  - 4. *PRIMER*, ALSO CALLED AN "IGNITER", REFERS TO A CARTRIDGE COMPONENT USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SETTING FIRE TO IGNITE THE GUNPOWDER.

- (i) Confiscated Firearm refers to a firearm taken into custody by the PNP, National Bureau of Investigation (NBI), Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) and all other Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAS) by reason of their mandate and must be necessarily reported or turned over to the [PEO of the PNP] FEO.
- (m) Firearms Information Management System (FIMS) refers to [the compilation of all data and information on firearms ownership and disposition for record purposes] A COMPUTERIZED SYSTEM THAT ESTABLISHES A DATABASE OF THE LICENSEE AND THE REGISTERED FIREARMS INFORMATION AND GENERATES REPORTS WHICH INCLUDE THE PRINTING OF LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AND DISPOSITION.
- (o) Gun Club refers to an organization WITH AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) LICENSED CITIZENS AS MEMBERS duly registered with and [accredited in good standing] AUTHORIZED by the FEO [of the PNP] which is established for the purpose of propagating GUNSAFETYAND responsible [and safe] gun ownership, proper appreciation and use of firearms by its members, for the purpose of sports and shooting competition, self-defense and collection purposes.
- (p) Gunsmith refers to any person, legal entity, corporation, partnership or business duly licensed by the FEO [of the PNP] to engage in the business of repairing firearms and other weapons, or constructing or assembling firearms and weapons from finished or manufactured parts thereof on a per order basis and not in commercial quantities, or of making minor parts for the purpose of repairing or assembling said firearms or weapons.
- (s) Licensed Juridical Entity/LICENSEDJURIDICAL PERSON refers to SECURITY AGENCIES, corporations MAINTAININGTHEIR OWN COMPANY SECURITY UNITS, [organizations], [businesses including security agencies] and Local Government Units (LGUs) MAINTAINING GOVERNMENT GUARD UNITS which are licensed to own and possess firearms in accordance with this Act.
- (dd) Small Arms refer to firearms intended to be or primarily designed for individual use or that which is generally considered to mean a weapon intended to be fired from the hand or shoulder, which are not capable of fully automatic bursts of discharge and does not exceed a caliber of a Light Weapon, such as:
  - (1) Handgun which is a firearm intended to be fired from the hand, which includes:
    - (A)[A] pistol which is a hand-operated firearm having a chamber integral with or permanently aligned with the bore which may be self-loading; and
    - (B) Revolver which is a hand-operated firearm with a revolving cylinder containing chambers for individual cartridges.

- (2) Rifle which is a shoulder firearm or designed to be fired from the shoulder that can discharge a bullet through a rifled barrel by different actions of loading, which may be classified as lever, bolt, or self-loading INTENDED FOR SPORT SHOOTING AND HUNTING ONLY; and
- (3) Shotgun which is a weapon designed, made and intended to fire a number of ball shots or a single projectile through a smooth bore by the action or energy from burning gunpowder.
- (ee) Sports Shooting Competition refers to a defensive, precision or practical firearm shooting [competition] **TOURNAMENT** duly authorized by the FEO [of the PNP].

Moreover, the following terms should be added to Section 3 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act:

- (a) ASSEMBLING OF FIREARMS REFERS TO THE FITTING TOGETHER OF LEGALLY ACQUIRED PARTS OR SPARE PARTS OF FIREARMS TO CREATE A COMPLETE FIREARM.
- (b) AUTHORIZED BONDED FIREARM CUSTODIAN REFERS TO THE EMPLOYEE OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY WHO IS COVERED BY BOND TO BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE REGISTERED FIREARMS UNDER THE NAME OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY.
- (c) BOLT ACTION REFERS TO A TYPE OF FIREARM ACTION IN WHICH THE WEAPON'S BOLT IS OPERATED MANUALLY BY THE OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE BREECH.
- (d) BOND REFERS TO THE CASH OR SURETY INTENDED AS A SECURITY AND COMMITMENT OF LICENSED CITIZENS, DEALERS, AND MANUFACTURERS TO COMPLY WITH ALL THE EXISTING LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.
  - (1) DEALER'S BOND REFERS TO THE BOND DULY ISSUED BY AN INSURER OR INSURANCE COMPANY WITH A VALID CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FROM THE INSURANCE COMMISSION TO A LICENSED DEALER IN SUCH AMOUNT AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP.
  - (2) FIREARM'S LICENSEE BOND REFERS TO THE BOND DULY ISSUED BY AN INSURER OR INSURANCE COMPANY WITH A VALID CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FROM THE INSURANCE COMMISSION TO A LICENSED CITIZEN FOR TYPES 3 TO 5 LICENSES.

- (3) MANUFACTURER'S BOND REFERS TO THE BOND DULY ISSUED BY AN INSURER OR INSURANCE COMPANY WITH A VALID CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FROM THE INSURANCE COMMISSION TO A LICENSED MANUFACTURER IN SUCH AMOUNT AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SILG).
- (e) CALIBER REFERS TO THE DIAMETER OF THE GUN'S BORE AND IS EXPRESSED IN HUNDREDTHS OR THOUSANDTHS OF AN INCH, AS IN .22 OR .357, OR IN MILLIMETRES, AS IN 9 MM, SUCH THAT THE METRIC EQUIVALENT OF '.38' CARTRIDGE IS A '9 MM' PROJECTILE.
- (f) CERTIFIED GUN COLLECTOR REFERS TO A LICENSED CITIZEN WHO COLLECTS REGISTERED FIREARMS PURSUANT TO SECTION 9 AND SECTION 10 OF THE LAW AND THIS ACT.
- (g) COMPANY SECURITY FORCE REFERS TO A SECURITY UNIT MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY ANY PRIVATE COMPANY/CORPORATION UTILIZING ITS AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES TO WATCH, SECURE OR GUARD ITS BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT PREMISES, COMPOUND OR PROPERTIES.
- (h) CONCEALED CARRY REFERS TO THE PRACTICE OF CARRYING FIREARMS IN PUBLIC IN A CONCEALED OR HIDDEN MANNER SUCH THAT, FOR HANDGUNS, IT MUST BE ENCASED IN A HAND LUGGAGE SUCH AS CLUTCH BAG, BELT BAG, GUN CASE, HOLSTER, OR THE LIKE, AND FOR RIFLES AND SHOTGUNS CATEGORIZED AS SMALL ARMS, IT MUST BE CASED AND SECURED INSIDE A VEHICLE.
- (i) CSG REFERS TO THE CIVIL SECURITY GROUP OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE.
- (j) END-USER'S CERTIFICATE (EUC) REFERS TO A DOCUMENT WHICH CONTAINS CONFIRMATION OF THE FOLLOWING:
  - (1) THAT THE END-USER HAS UNDERTAKEN TO IMPORT THE GOODS WITH SPECIFIC VALUE AND AMOUNT;
  - (2) THE PURPOSE OF THE USE OF THE GOODS; AND
  - (3) THAT THE END-USER SHALL NOT RE-EXPORT OR RE-ASSIGN THE GOODS WITHOUT PRIOR WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION. THE CERTIFICATE LIKEWISE REFERS TO A DOCUMENT THAT VERIFIES THE END-USE AND END-USER OF MILITARY AND DUAL-USE ITEMS AS DEFINED BY THIS ACT;

- (k) EXPORT PERMIT REFERS TO A DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP AUTHORIZING THE EXPORTATION OF FIREARMS, OR THEIR PARTS, AMMUNITION, AND OTHER COMPONENTS.
- (I) FEO REFERS TO THE FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE.
- (m) FEO CLASSIFICATION BOARD (FCB) REFERS TO THE FEO CLASSIFICATION BODY WITH A REGULATORY ROLE TO CLASSIFY FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES, EXPLOSIVES INGREDIENTS AND OTHER REGULATED ITEMS PRIOR TO SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND/OR EXHIBITION TO ENSURE THAT SUCH ITEMS CONFORM TO EXISTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS.
- (n) FEO LICENSE REVOCATION AND RESTORATION BOARD (FLRRB) REFERS TO THE FEO BOARD WITH A REGULATORY FUNCTION TO STUDY, REVIEW, VALIDATE, AND RECOMMEND, AFTER DUE PROCESS, THE CORRECTION, DELETION, REVOCATION, CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION OR RESTORATION OF ALL ISSUED LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS, AND PERMITS RELATIVE TO FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND EXPLOSIVES THROUGH A RESOLUTION TO BE APPROVED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP OR THE SILG, AS THE CASE MAY BE.
- (0) FIREARM REGISTRATION CARD/FIREARM CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION REFERS TO THE DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE FEO AS PROOF THAT THE FIREARM IS DULY REGISTERED TO A LICENSED CITIZEN OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY AND RECORDED IN THE FIMS.
- (p) FORGING OR CASTING REFERS TO THE SHAPING OF RAW MATERIALS USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF FIREARM PARTS OR AMMUNITION COMPONENTS USING LOCALIZED COMPRESSIVE FORCES OR POURING MOLTEN METAL OR OTHER MATERIAL INTO A MOLD.
- (q) FULL AUTOMATIC OR FULLY AUTOMATIC REFERS TO THE FIRING MODE AND ACTION OF A FIREARM IN WHICH THE DISCHARGE OF THE ENTIRE MAGAZINE LOAD WITH A SINGLE PULL OF ITS TRIGGER IS CONTINUOUS UNTIL THE TRIGGERING DEVICE IS DISENGAGED.
- (r) GOVERNMENT GUARD UNIT REFERS TO A SECURITY UNIT WHOSE MEMBERS HAVE PERMANENT PLANTILLA POSITIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT, MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY ANY GOVERNMENT ENTITY

OTHER THAN MILITARY OR POLICE, WHICH IS ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING THE OFFICE OR COMPOUND AND/OR EXTENSION OF SUCH GOVERNMENT ENTITY.

- (s) IMMINENT DANGER REFERS TO THE RECOGNIZED PRESENCE OF THREATENED HARM OR IMPENDING INJURY OR BOTH TO CERTAIN LICENSED INDIVIDUAL, TO HIS FAMILY OR HIS PROPERTY.
- (t) IMPORT PERMIT REFERS TO A DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP TO LICENSED MANUFACTURERS OR DEALERS AUTHORIZING THE IMPORTATION OF FIREARMS, OR THEIR PARTS, AMMUNITION, AND OTHER COMPONENTS.
- (u) LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (LEAS) REFERS TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES OR ITS UNITS THEREOF MANDATED TO ENFORCE LAWS.
- (v) LEGAL DISABILITY REFERS TO THE LOSS BY THE LICENSEES OF THE LEGAL QUALIFICATION OR CAPACITY TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS REVISED IRR.
- (W) LETTER ORDER (LO) OR MISSION ORDER (MO) REFERS TO A WRITTEN DIRECTIVE OR ORDER ISSUED BY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PNP, AFP, AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (LEAS) ALLOWING THEIR RESPECTIVE MEMBERS, OCCUPYING REGULAR PLANTILLA POSITIONS AND PERFORMING ACTUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS, TO CARRY THEIR GOVERNMENT-ISSUED FIREARMS IN FURTHERANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THEIR AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY[IES] (AOR), IN LIEU OF A PERMIT TO CARRY FIREARMS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE (PTCFOR).
- (x) LICENSE TO DEAL (LTD) REFERS TO THE LICENSE GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP TO A QUALIFIED DEALER TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF BUYING AND SELLING AMMUNITION, FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL BASIS.
- (y) LICENSE TO EXERCISE SECURITY PROFESSION (LESP) REFERS TO THE DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP OR HIS/HER DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE RECOGNIZING A PERSON TO BE QUALIFIED TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES AS PRIVATE SECURITY OR TRAINING PERSONNEL.

- (z) LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE (LTM) REFERS TO THE LICENSE GRANTED BY THE SILG TO A QUALIFIED MANUFACTURER TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF MANUFACTURING
  - FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, OR PARTS THEREOF, FOR PURPOSES OF SALE OR DISTRIBUTION.
- (aa) LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS (LTOPF) REFERS TO A WRITTEN AUTHORITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A FIREARM OR FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP THROUGH THE CHIEF OF FEO TO A CITIZEN OR A JURIDICAL ENTITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ACT.
- (bb) LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR REFERS TO ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY DULY LICENSED BY THE CHIEF OF FEO ON BEHALF OF THE CHIEF OF PNP WHO LEGALLY ACQUIRES, OWNS, POSSESSES, OR DISPOSES OF ANTIQUE FIREARMS AS DEFINED IN THIS ACT;
- (cc) LICENSED DEALER REFERS TO ANY PERSON, LEGAL ENTITY, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR BUSINESS ENTITY DULY LICENSED BY THE FEO TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF BUYING AND SELLING AMMUNITION, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL BASIS.
- (dd) LICENSED MANUFACTURER REFERS TO ANY PERSON, LEGAL ENTITY, CORPORATION, OR PARTNERSHIP DULY LICENSED BY THE FEO TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF MANUFACTURING FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, OR PARTS THEREOF FOR PURPOSES OF SALE OR DISTRIBUTION.
- (ee) LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTER REFERS TO A LICENSED CITIZEN WHO HAS ACQUIRED SPORTS SHOOTERS LICENSE, AND WHO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATES IN SPORTS SHOOTING COMPETITIONS.
- (ff) MENTAL IMPAIRMENT REFERS TO A STATE OF ARRESTED OR INCOMPLETE DEVELOPMENT OF MIND WHICH INCLUDES SIGNIFICANT IMPAORMENT OF INTELLIGENCE AND SOCIAL FUNCTIONING AND IS ASSOCIATED WIRH ABNORMALLY AGGRESSIVE OR SERIOUSLY IRRESPONSIBLE CONDUCT ON THE PART OF THE PERSON CONCERNED.
- (gg) MILL-RUN PARTS REFERS TO MATERIALS, SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO, STEEL AND ALUMINUM PARTS USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OR ASSEMBLY OF FIREARMS WHICH HAS UNDERGONE MACHINING PROCESS, WHETHER IN PART OR IN ALMOST SEMI-FINISHED FORM.

(hb) PERMIT TO REPLACE REFERS TO A WRITTEN AUTHORITY ISSUED BY THE FEO TO A LICENSED CITIZEN OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY ALLOWING THEM TO REPLACE SLIDE, CYLINDER, BOLT ASSEMBLY OR OTHER MAJOR PARTS

EXCEPT FOR THE BARREL, FRAME OR RECEIVER TO BE PRESENTED TO A LICENSED GUNSMITH PRIOR TO THE REPLACEMENT.

- (ii) PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL REFERS TO LICENSED CITIZEN AND LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY AS USED IN SECTION 10 OF THIS REVISED IRR.
- (jj) PRIVATE SECURITY PERSONNEL REFERS TO A PERSON LICENSED TO RENDER AND/OR PERFORM SECURITY SERVICES AND/OR DETECTIVE SERVICES AS EMPLOYED BY LICENSED PRIVATE SECURITY/CANINE AGENCIES WHICH INCLUDE SECURITY GUARDS, AVIATION GUARDS, BANK AND ARMOR GUARDS, MALL AND COMMERCIAL GUARDS, CANINE HANDLERS, PROTECTION AGENTS, PRIVATE DETECTIVES, SECURITY OFFICERS, SECURITY CONSULTANTS, AND OTHERS THAT MAY BE CLASSIFIED LATER.
- (kk) PROOF MARKS REFER TO STAMPS APPLIED BY THE FEO TO MAJOR PARTS OF FIREARMS FOR INDIVIDUAL SALE TO SHOW THAT THEY HAVE BEEN INSPECTED AND AUTHENTICATED.
- (II) PROVISIONAL LICENSED TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARM REFERS TO A TEMPORARY LICENSE ISSUED BY THE FEO FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIREARM RENEWAL OR TRANSFER.
- (mm) RANGE ATTENDANT REFERS TO ANY PERSON EMPLOYED BY THE MANAGEMENT OF A SHOOTING RANGE UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER WHO ASSISTS COMMERCIAL SHOOTER.
- (nn) RANGE OFFICER, MATCH OFFICER, SAFETY OFFICER REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL OFFICIATING ON A MATCH EVENT OR A SHOOTING COMPETITION ACTING AS SAFETY REFEREE.
- (00) RANGE SAFETY OFFICER REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PASSED THE GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP OR RANGE SAFETY PROGRAM ADMINISTERED OR ACCREDITED BY THE FEO.
- (pp) RCSU REFERS TO THE REGIONAL CIVIL SECURITY UNIT OF THE CSG.
- (qq) RESIDENCE OF THE FIREARM REFERS TO THE LOCATION WHERE THE FIREARM SHALL BE KEPT AS INDICATED IN THE FIREARM REGISTRATION CARD/CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.

- (rr) RESIDENCE OF THE LICENSEE REFERS TO THE PLACE OR PLACES OF ABODE OF LICENSED CITIZENS AS INDICATED IN THEIR LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS.
- (ss) SERVICEABLE FIREARM REFERS TO A FIREARM THAT IS PROPERLY FUNCTIONING AND IS CAPABLE OF DISCHARGING A BULLET, SHOT, SLUG, MISSILE OR ANY

PROJECTILE BY MEANS OF EXPANSIVEFORCE OF GASES FROM BURNING GUNPOWDER OR OTHER FORM OF COMBUSTION OR ANY SIMILAR INSTRUMENT OR IMPLEMENT.

- (tt) SOSIA REFERS TO THE SUPERVISORY OFFICE FOR SECURITY AND INVESTIGATION AGENCIES OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE.
- (uu) SPORTS SHOOTER REFERS TO ANY PERSON WHO COMPETES IN A LOCAL OR INTERNATIONAL SPORTS SHOOTING COMPETITION USING A FIREARM.
- (vv) SPORTS SHOOTER'S LICENSE REFERS TO A LICENSE GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP TO A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL WHO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS SHOOTING COMPETITIONS.
- (ww) UNSERVICEABLE FIREARM REFERS TO A FIREARM INCAPABLE OF DISCHARGING A BULLET, SHOT, SLUG, MISSILE OR ANY PROJECTILE BY MEANS OF EXPANSIVE FORCE OF GASES FROM BURNING GUNPOWDER OR OTHER FORM OF COMBUSTION OR ANY SIMILAR INSTRUMENT OR IMPLEMENT.

**SECTION 2.** Section 4 of Comprehensive Firearms and Comprehensive Act is hereby amended as follows:

"Sec. 4. Standards and Requisites for Issuance of and Obtaining a License to Own and Possess Firearms. – In order to qualify and acquire a license to own and possess a firearm or firearms and ammunition, the applicant must [be a Filipino citizen, at least twenty-one (21) years old and has gainful work, occupation or business or has filed an Income Tax Return (ITR) for the preceding year as proof of income, profession, business or occupation.

In addition, the applicant shall submit the following certification issued by appropriate authorities attesting the following:

- (a) The applicant has not been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude;
- (b) The applicant has passed the psychiatric test administered by a PNP-accredited psychologist or psychiatrist;
- (c) The applicant has passed the drug test conducted by an accredited and authorized drug testing laboratory or clinic;

- (d) The applicant has passed a gun safety seminar which is administered by the PNP or a registered and authorized gun club;
- (e) The applicant has filed in writing the application to possess a registered firearm which shall state the personal circumstances of the applicant;
- (f) The applicant must present a police clearance from the city or municipality police office; and
- (g) The applicant has not been convicted or is currently an accused in a pending criminal case before any court of law for a crime that is punishable with a penalty of more than two (2) years.]
- (a) BE A FILIPINO CITIZEN, WHO ARE REFERRED TO IN SECTION 1, ARTICLE IV OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION MAY SUBMIT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PROOF OF FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP:
  - i. PHILIPPINE PASSPORT;
  - ii. PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BIRTHCERTIFICATE;
  - iii. BIRTH CERTIFICATE FROM THE LOCAL CIVILREGISTRY;
  - iv. CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION;
  - v. IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THEBUREAU OF IMMIGRATION; OR
  - vi. FOR **THOSE WHO ARE CONSIDERED** WITH "DUALCITIZENSHIP" **PURSUANT** TO RA NO. 9225,OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "CITIZENSHIP RETENTIONAND REACQUISITION ACT OF 2003", MAY ALSOENJOY THE PRIVILEGE GRANTED HEREIN.

PROVIDED THAT THEY COMPLY WITH ALL THE STANDARDS AND REQUISITES SET FORTH THEREIN BY SUBMITTING ANY:

- a) CERTIFICATE OF RETENTION/REACQUISITION OF PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP OR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION; AND
- b) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.
- (b) BE AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE (21) YEARS OLD AT THE TIME OF THE FILING OF WRITTEN APPLICATION;
- (c) SUBMIT NATIONAL POLICE CLEARANCE: PROVIDED, THAT PENDING THE DEVELOPMENT AND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL POLICE CLEARANCE SYSTEM, THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NBI) CLEARANCE MAY BE SUBMITTED. PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT THE CLEARANCE SUBMITTED MUST CERTIFY THAT THE APPLICANT DOES NOT HAVE ANY DEROGATORY RECORD;
- (d) SUBMIT A NEURO-PSYCHIATRIC (NP) CLEARANCE ISSUED OR VALIDATED, OR BOTH BY THE PNP HEALTH SERVICE OR A DOH-ACCREDITED PSYCHOLOGIST OR PSYCHIATRIST CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT PASSED THE PSYCHIATRIC TEST ADMINISTERED;

- (e) SUBMIT A CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY OR A DOH-ACCREDITED AND AUTHORIZED DRUG TESTING LABORATORY OR CLINIC, IN AREAS WHERE THERE IS NO PNP CRIME LABORATORY, CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED THE DRUG TEST CONDUCTED;
- (f) SUBMIT A CERTIFICATE THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED A GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP SEMINAR (GSRGOS) WHICH WAS ADMINISTERED BY THE PNP OR A REGISTERED AND AUTHORIZED GUN CLUB;
- (g) SURMIT A VALID GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID OR PROOF OF LATEST BILLING OR PROOF OF MAIL SENT BY A GOVERNMENT OR A GOVERNMENT-OWNED-OR-CONTROLLED OFFICE OR RESIDENTIAL LEASE AGREEMENT/CONTRACT OR BARANGAY CERTIFICATE;
- (h) SUBMIT A FIREARM LICENSEE BOND POLICY FOR TYPE 3 TO 5 LICENSES.

[For purposes of this Act, an] THE acquittal [or permanent dismissal of a criminal case before the courts of law] OF AN APPLICANT WHOSE APPLICATION WAS PREVIOUSLY DENIED OR WAS NOT GIVEN DUE COURSE BY REASON OF A PENDING CRIMINAL CASE OR THE PERMANENT DISMISSAL OF SAID CRIMINAL CASE shall qualify [the accused thereof to] SUCH APPLICANT TO qualify and acquire a license.

APPLICANTS WHO ARE PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD), EXCEPT FOR MENTAL IMPAIRMENT, MUST DECLARE THEIR DISABILITIES AND MUST SUBMIT A MEDICAL CERTIFICATE THAT EXPRESSLY CERTIFIES HIM/HER AS CAPABLE OF EFFICIENTLY, EFFECTIVELY, AND SAFELY USE THE PARTICULAR

An applicant who intends to possess a firearm owned by [a juridical entity] SECURITY AGENCIES OR JURIDICAL ENTITIES MAINTAINING THEIR OWN COMPANY SECURITY FORCES, MUST submit his/her ORIGINAL OR AUTHENTICATED COPY OF VALID DUTY DETAIL ORDER (DDO) AS SECURITY GUARD, PROTECTION AGENT OR COMPANY GUARD, AS THE CASE MAY BE, to the FEO [of the PNP] WHICH DDO SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS THE AUTHORITY TO POSSESS SUBJECT FIREARM. THE DDO SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE CSG-FEO TOGETHER WITH THE COPY OF HIS/HER LESP AT LEAST ONE (1) DAY PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL POSTING OF SECURITY GUARDS, PROTECTION AGENTS OR COMPANY GUARDS."

**SECTION 3.** Section 6 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 6. Ownership of Firearms by the National Government. - All firearms owned by the National Government INCLUDING GOCCS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES shall be registered with the FEO [of the PNP] in the name of the GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE Republic of the Philippines.

Such registration shall be exempt from all duties and taxes that may otherwise be levied on other authorized owners of firearms. For reason of national security, firearms of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), Coast Guard and other law enforcement agencies shall only be reported to the FEO [of the PNP]. ANY DISPOSITION OF FIREARM OWNED BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED UNLESS APPROVED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP."

**SECTION 4.** Section of 7 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 7. Carrying of Firearms Outside of Residence or Place of Business. - A permit to carry firearms outside of residence shall be issued by the Chief of the PNP or his/her duly authorized representative to any qualified person whose life is under actual threat or his/her life is in imminent danger due to the nature of his/her profession, occupation or business.

It shall be the burden of the applicant to prove that his/her life is under actual threat by submitting a threat assessment certificate from the PNP.

For purposes of this Act, the following professionals are considered to be in imminent danger due to the nature of their profession, occupation or business, and are not required to submit threat assessment certificates:

- (a) Members of the Philippine Bar;
- (b) Certified Public Accountants;
- (c) Accredited Media Practitioners;
- (d) Cashiers, Bank Tellers;
- (e) Priests, Ministers, Rabbi, Imams;
- (f) Physicians and Nurses; [(g) Engineers; and]
- (g) Businessmen;
- (h) ACTIVE AND RETIRED AFP, PNP AND OTHER LEAS; AND
- (i) INCUMBENT AND FORMER ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM MUNICIPAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND UP

PROVIDED THAT THE NATURE OF THE PROFESSION, UNDERTAKING, OR BUSINESS OF THOSE ENUMERATED ABOVE, ARE EXPOSED TO HIGH RISK OF BEING TARGETS OF CRIMINAL ELEMENTS.

**SECTION 5.** Section 8 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 8. Authority to Issue License. - The Chief of the PNP, through the FEO [of the PNP], AFTER THE PROCESSING OF THE APPLICATION, shall [issue] APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF licenses to qualified individuals and to cause the registration of firearms."

**SECTION 6.** Section 9 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 9. Licenses Issued to Individuals. - Subject to the requirements set forth in this Act and payment of required fees to be determined by the Chief of the PNP, a qualified individual may be issued the appropriate license under the following categories:

Type 1 license – allows a **QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL** to own and possess a maximum of two (2) registered firearms;

Type 2 license – allows a **QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL** to own and possess a maximum of five (5) registered firearms;

Type 3 license – allows a **QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL** to own and possess a maximum of ten (10) registered firearms;

Type 4 license – allows a **QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL** to own and possess a maximum of fifteen (15) registered firearms; and

Type 5 license – allows a **QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL**, who is a certified gun collector, to own and possess more than fifteen (15) registered firearms.

For Types 1 to 5 licenses AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSED HOLDERS OF CLASS-A LIGHT WEAPON, a vault or container, secured by lock and key or other security measures [for safekeeping of firearms] APPROPRIATE UNDER THE PREMISES IMPOSED BY THE FEO, shall be required.

For Types 3 to 5 licenses and PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSED HOLDERS OF CLASS-A LIGHT WEAPON, the citizen must comply with the inspection and bond requirements.

IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING CATEGORIES, INDIVIDUALS CATEGORIZED AS ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTORS SHALL APPLY FOR AN ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR'S LICENSE AND BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THIS ACT AND PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES.

IN CASE OF TYPE 5 CATEGORY, THE FEO IS MANDATED TO ISSUE GUIDELINES ON THE ISSUANCE OF AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL FIREARMS BY A CITIZEN.

FOR TYPES 3 TO 5 LICENSES, LICENSED CITIZENS MUST COMPLY WITH THE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS OF THE PNP BEFORE THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSE. FAILURE ON THEIR PART TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE REQUIREMENTS HEREIN MENTIONED IS A GROUND FOR THE DENIAL OF LICENSE. THE INSPECTION SHALL BE LIMITED TO VISUAL IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LICENSED CITIZEN OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AND MUST BE LIMITED TO THE COMPLIANCE ON VAULT REQUIREMENT. THE INSPECTION TEAM SHALL BE COVERED WITH A LETTER ORDER ISSUED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP.

FOR UPGRADING OF TYPE OF LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS, THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE FEO:

- a) DULY ACCOMPLISHED APPLICATION FORM;
- b) CERTIFICATION FROM THE FEO THAT THE LICENSEE IS CLEAR OF ANY DEROGATORY RECORDS;
- c) PREVIOUS LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS
- d) UPDATED REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS; AND
- e) INSPECTION REPORT (FOR UPGRADING TYPE 3 TO TYPE 5 LICENSE).

ALL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, RETIREES FROM THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE AND MILITARY RESERVISTS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO 50% DISCOUNT ON FEES FOR LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS AND REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS. SENIOR CITIZENS, WHO ARE NOT ACTIVE OR RETIRED GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO 20% DISCOUNT ON FEES FOR LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS AND FIREARM REGISTRATION."

**SECTION 7.** Section 10 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 10. Firearms That May Be Registered. - Only small arms may be registered by licensed citizens or licensed juridical entities for ownership, possession and concealed carry. A light weapon shall be lawfully acquired or possessed exclusively by the AFP, the PNP and other law enforcement agencies authorized by the President in the performance of their duties: Provided, that private individuals who already have licenses to

possess Class-A light weapons upon the effectivity of this Act shall not be deprived of the privilege to continue possessing the same and renewing the licenses therefor, for the sole reason that these firearms are Class "A" light weapons, and shall be required to comply with other applicable provisions of this Act.

FAILURE TO RENEW THE REGISTRATION OF A CLASS-A LIGHT WEAPON OR COMPLY WITH THE STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL PURPOSES SHALL BE A GROUND SUSPENSION OF THE LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS. IN CASE OF REVOCATION OF LICENSE AND CANCELLATION **OF** REGISTRATION, THE **INDIVIDUAL** CONCERNED SHALL SURRENDER THE WEAPON HEREIN MENTIONED TO THE NEAREST POLICE STATION WITHIN (30)DAYS. OTHERWISE, THE CONCERNED INDIVIDUAL COULD BE CHARGED FOR VIOLATION OF THE LAW."

**SECTION 8.** Section 11 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 11. Registration of Firearms. - The licensed citizen or licensed juridical entity, including NGA shall register his/her/its LAWFULLY ACQUIRED firearm with the FEO [of the PNP] in accordance with the [type of license such licensed citizen or licensed juridical entity possesses] provisions of this Act. [A certificate of registration of the firearm shall be issued upon payment of reasonable fees.] ONLY UPON COMPLIANCE WITH ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF REGISTRATION, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF THE PRESCRIBED FEES, SHALL THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION BE ISSUED.

ACQUISITION OF EXTRA MAJOR PARTS AND REPLACEMENT OF MAJOR PARTS SHALL ONLY BE DONE WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP.

A LICENSED CITIZEN MAY APPLY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN EXTRA BARREL, FRAME OR RECEIVER PROVIDED THAT HE/SHE WILL REGISTER IT AS A FIREARM WHICH IS VALID FOR FOUR (4) YEARS. THE EXTRA BARREL, FRAME OR RECEIVER SHALL, TOGETHER WITH THE LICENSED CITIZEN'S FIREARM, UNDERGO STENCIL AND TEST PROCEDURES.

A FIREARM WITH A NEW MAJOR PART SHALL UNDERGO STENCIL AND TEST PROCEDURES. THE REPLACED MAJOR PART SHALL BE TURNED-OVER TO THE FEO FOR PROPER DISPOSITION.

FOR PURPOSES OF REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS OWNED BY THE JURIDICAL ENTITIES, THE CATEGORIES FOR FIREARM LICENSES UNDER SECTION 9 OF THE LAW AND THE REVISED IRR SHALL BE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS:

- a) TYPE 1 LICENSE ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) REGISTERED FIREARMS:
- b) TYPE 2 LICENSE ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A MAXIMUM OF FIVE (5) REGISTERED FIREARMS;
- c) TYPE 3 LICENSE ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A MAXIMUM OF TEN (10) REGISTERED FIREARMS;
- d) TYPE 4 LICENSE ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN (15) REGISTERED FIREARMS; AND
- e) TYPE 5 LICENSE ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS MORE THAN FIFTEEN (15) REGISTERED FIREARMS.

PHILIPPINE SECURITY AGENCY SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY CATEGORIZED AS TYPE 5 LICENSE.

For purposes of this Act, registration refers to the application, approval, record-keeping and monitoring of firearms with the FEO [of the PNP] in accordance with the type of license issued to any person under [Section 9 of] this Act."

**SECTION 9.** Section 12 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 12. License to Possess Ammunition Necessarily Included.. - The [licenses] LICENSE granted to a qualified citizen[s] or juridical [entities as provided in Section 9 of this Act shall include the license to possess ammunition with a maximum of fifty (50) rounds for each registered firearm. Provided, that the FEO of the PNP may allow more ammunition to be possessed by licensed sports shooters] ENTITY FOR THE OWNERSHIP AND POSSESSION OF REGISTERED FIREARMS NECESSARILY **INCLUDES** THE LICENSE TO **POSSESS AMMUNITION** APPROPRIATE TO THE REGISTERED FIREARM WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED FIFTY (50) ROUNDS PER FIREARM AT ANY GIVEN TIME.

LICENSES GRANTED TO ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTORS UNDER SECTION 27 OF THE LAW ARE NOT COVERED BY THIS PROVISION.

ONLY A LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTER SHALL BE ALLOWED TO POSSESS AMMUNITION OF MORE THAN FIFTY (50) ROUNDS BUT NOT MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND (1000) ROUNDS FOR EACH OF THE REGISTERED FIREARMS TO BE USED FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION.

ACTIVE AND RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE PNP, AFP, COAST GUARD, NBI AND PDEA SHALL BE ALLOWED TO POSSESS AMMUNITION OF MORE THAN FIFTY (50) ROUNDS BUT NOT MORE THAN THREE HUNDRED SIXTY (360) ROUNDS FOR EACH OF THE REGISTERED PRIVATELY-OWNED FIREARM AND/OR ISSUED FIREARM."

**SECTION 10**. Section 13 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 13. – Issuance of License to Manufacture or Deal In Firearms and Ammunition. - Any person, NATURAL OR JURIDICAL, desiring to [manufacture] ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF MANUFACTURING or [deal] DEALING in firearms, parts of firearms, or ammunition thereof, or instruments and implements used or intended to be used [in the manufacture of firearms or ammunition, shall make an application to:

- a) The Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) in the case of an application for a license to manufacture; and
- b) The Chief of the PNP in the case of a license to deal in firearms and firearms parts, ammunition and gun repair.

The applicant shall state the amount of capitalization for manufacture or cost of the purchase and sale of said articles intended to be transacted by such applicant; and the types of firms, ammunition or implements which the applicant intends to manufacture or purchase and sell under the license applied for; and such additional information as may be especially requested by the Secretary of the DILG or the Chief of the PNP.

The Secretary of the DILG or the Chief of the PNP may approve or disapprove such application based on the prescribed guidelines. In the case of approval, the Secretary of the DILG or the Chief of the PNP shall indicate the amount of the bond to be executed by the applicant before the issuance of the license and the period of time by which said license shall be effective, unless sooner revoked by their authority] FOR PURPOSES OF SALE OR DISTRIBUTION SHALL FIRST SECURE THE APPROPRIATE LICENSE FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

THE GOVERNMENT ARSENAL CREATED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1884 SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTIONS 13 BUT MUST COMPLY WITH SECTIONS 14, AND 15 OF RA NO. 105N 1 AS AMENDED AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENTS AS REQUIRED BY THE FEO AND OTHER REPORTS THAT THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY REQUIRE WHICH SHALL BE SUBMITTED ANNUALLY.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES SHALL BE IN THE NAME OF AND SHALL BE REPRESENTED BY THE OWNER. IN CASE OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS OR PARTNERSHIPS, OR, IN CASE OF CORPORATIONS, BY THE PRESIDENT OR ANY CORPORATE OFFICER OR MEMBER OF THE BOARD EMPOWERED THROUGH A SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE. THE APPLICANT MAY BE A DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO PROCESS THE APPLICATION THROUGH A SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY (SPA).

ALL REQUIREMENTS ON CLEARANCES AND PERMITS SHOULD BE VALID AT THE TIME OF FILING OF THE APPLICATION.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR A LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION TO INCLUDE ITS AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL, SHALL BE THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SILG).

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR A LICENSE TO DEAL FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION TO INCLUDE ITS AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL SHALL BE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP.

Upon approval of the license to manufacture or otherwise deal in firearms by the SILG or the CHIEF OF PNP as the case may be, the same shall be transmitted to the FEO [of the PNP] which shall issue the license in accordance with the approved terms and conditions, upon the execution and delivery by the applicant of the required bond conditioned upon the faithful compliance on the part of the licensee to the laws and regulations relative to the business licensed.

THE LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE OR LICENSE TO DEAL SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS.

IN THE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE OR LICENSE TO DEAL, THE SILG OR THE CHIEF OF THE PNP RESPECTIVELY, MAY GRANT A LICENSE FOR A LONGER PERIOD IN THE FOLLOWING INSTANCES, WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 20 AND REVOCATION AUTHORITY UNDER SECTION 39:

- a) IN MERITORIOUS CASES SUCH AS EXPANSION OR DOMESTIC AND/OR FOREIGN INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES; OR
- b) WITH REGARD TO THE CAPABILITY OF THE APPLICANT IN TERMS OF FACTORS SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO CAPITALIZATION, EQUIPMENT, NUMBER OF DEALERSHIP LOCATIONS AND FACILITIES, NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, AND YEARS IN OPERATION.

THE APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE FEO BEFORE THE DATE OF THE EXPIRATION OF SUCH LICENSE.

IF AN APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL IS FILED AND OFFICIALLY RECEIVED AT LEAST 90 DAYS PRIOR TO ITS EXPIRATION DATE, THE LICENSE SHALL REMAIN VALID UNTIL A DECISION IS RENDERED ON THE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL. IN THIS INSTANCE, THE RECKONING DATE OF VALIDITY OF THE RENEWED LICENSE SHALL BE ON THE DAY AFTER THE EXPIRY DATE OF THE PREVIOUS LICENSE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE LICENSE, A CEASE TO OPERATE (CTO) ORDER WITH NOTICE OF CONFISCATION SHALL BE ISSUED BY THE PNP THROUGH THE FEO TO THE MANUFACTURER OR DEALER WITH EXPIRED LICENSE, INFORMING THE LATTER OF THE FOLLOWING:

- a) THAT, ITS LICENSE HAD ALREADY EXPIRED;
- b) THAT, IT HAS A 60-DAY GRACE PERIOD TO RE-APPLY FOR A NEW LICENSE SUBJECT TO THE IMPOSITION OF PENALTIES TO BE DETERMINED BY THE PNP; AND

c) THAT, ITS FAILURE TO APPLY FOR A NEW LICENSE WITHIN THE GRACE PERIOD WILL CAUSE THE CONFISCATION OF THE FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION, OR MAJOR PARTS OF THE FIREARMS, OR MACHINERY, TOOL OR INSTRUMENT USED OR INTENDED TO BE USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION OR MAJOR PARTS THEREOF.

IF AFTER THE LAPSE OF 60-DAY GRACE PERIOD, THE MANUFACTURER OR DEALER STILL FAILS TO SECURE A NEW LICENSE, THE LATTER SHALL BE PROHIBITED TO EXERCISE THE AUTHORITIES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER SECTIONS 14 AND 15 OF THE LAW."

**SECTION 11.** Section 14 of the Comprehensive Firearm and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 14. Scope of License to Manufacture. – The [scope of the] License to Manufacture firearms, **PARTS OF FIREARMS** and ammunition shall [also] include [the following:

- a) The authority to manufacture and assemble firearms, ammunition, spare parts and accessories, ammunition components, and reloading of ammunitions, within sites, areas, and factories stated therein. The Secretary of the DILG shall approve such license;
- b) The license to deal in or sell all the items covered by the License to Manufacture, such as parts, firearms or ammunition and components;
- c) The authority to subcontract the manufacturing of parts and accessories necessary for the firearms which the manufacturer is licensed to manufacture: Provided, That the subcontractor of major parts or major components is also licensed to manufacture firearms and ammunition; and
- d) The authority to import machinery, equipment, and firearm parts and ammunition components for the manufacture thereof. Firearm parts and ammunition components to be imported shall, however, be limited to those authorized to be manufactured as reflected in the approved License to Manufacture. The Import Permit shall be under the administration of the PNP.]

ASSEMBLY FIREARMS FROM PARTS OF **THAT** MANUFACTURER OR SUB-CONTRACTOR MANUFACTURED, REPAIR OF DEFECTIVE FIREARMS PURSUANT TO THE WARRANTY PROVISION IN THE CONTRACT OF SALE OR AS A RESULT OF WEAR AND TEAR; PROCESSING OF AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, LOADING, RELOADING AND DISASSEMBLY OF AMMUNITION, ENHANCEMENT AND REFURBISHING FIREARMS AND SUCH OTHER ACTS NECESSARY AND **INDISPENSABLE FOR** THE UTILIZATION/IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LICENSE.PROVIDED THAT SUCH AUTHORITY TO ASSEMBLE FIREARMS MUST BE SUPPORTED BY A LICENSING AGREEMENT OR OTHER LEGAL INSTRUMENT BETWEEN THE ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER AND THE ASSEMBLER. ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER SHALL MEAN THE OWNER OF THE REGISTERED PATENT, UTILITY DESIGN OR TRADEMARK.

THE LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE INCLUDES THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER TO DEAL IN OR SELL ALL THE MANUFACTURED ITEMS COVERED BY THE SAID LICENSE. THE QUANTITY ALLOWED UNDER THE LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE SHALL BE BASED ON THE CAPACITY AND CAPABILITY OF THE MANUFACTURER AT A GIVEN PERIOD TO BE DETERMINED BY THE FEO. IT SHALL FURTHER INCLUDE THE AUTHORITY TO SUBCONTRACT THE MANUFACTURING OF PARTS AND ACCESSORIES NECESSARY FOR THE FIREARMS PROVIDED THAT THE FINISHED PRODUCT WILL CARRY THE TRADEMARK OR BRAND NAME LICENSED MANUFACTURER. IN **CASE** MANUFACTURER SUBCONTRACTS THE MANUFACTURING OF A FINISHED USABLE MAJOR PART, THE SUBCONTRACTOR SHALL SECURE FIRST A LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE SUCH PART.

AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER SHALL SECURE AUTHORITY TO IMPORT MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND FIREARMS PARTS AND AMMUNITION COMPONENTS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION. FIREARMS PARTS AND AMMUNITION COMPONENTS TO BE IMPORTED SHALL, HOWEVER, BE LIMITED TO THOSE AUTHORIZED TO BE MANUFACTURED AS REFLECTED IN THE APPROVED LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE. IMPORTATION OF FORGING OR CASTING USED OR INTENDED TO BE USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF FIREARMS SHALL REQUIRE AN IMPORT PERMIT, INCLUDING IMPORTATION OF MILL-RUN PARTS. THE IMPORT PERMIT SHALL BE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF OF PNP.

A licensed manufacturer of ammunition is also entitled to import various reference firearms needed to test the ammunition manufactured under the License to Manufacture.

**FIREARMS** REFERENCE, **FOR** TEST AND EVALUATION TO BE USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF AMMUNITION SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED FOR SALE AND DISTRIBUTION. **AFTER** THE INTENDED TEST, THE MANUFACTURER SHALL RETURN THE ITEMS TO ITS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OR DONATE THE SAME TO THE PNP. IF THE MANUFACTURER OPTED TO RETURN THE ITEMS TO THE COUNTRY OF ITS ORIGIN, IT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO THE **FEO PROOF** EXPORTATION, OF **DELIVERY** VERIFICATION **CERTIFICATE** OR **EQUIVALENT** DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE CONCERNED FOREIGN GOVERNMENT. AFTER THE INTENDED TEST, DISPOSITION OF THE FIREARMS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

(a) FOR LIGHT WEAPONS, THE MANUFACTURER IS ONLY AUTHORIZED TO RETURN THE ITEMS TO ITS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, OR DONATE THE SAME TO THE PNP; AND

- (b) FOR SMALL ARMS, THE MANUFACTURER MAY OPT TO RETAIN ITS POSSESSION, ON THE CONDITION THAT IT SHALL BE REGISTERED UNDER ITS COMPANY NAME, PROVIDED IT HAS A COMPANY GUARD UNIT. THE REGISTRATION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS STATED UNDER SECTION 5 OF THIS REVISED IRR. IT MAY ALSO DONATE THE FIREARMS TO THE PNP, OR RETURN THE SAME TO ITS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.
- (c) IF THE MANUFACTURER OPTED TO RETURN THE ITEMS TO THE COUNTRY OF ITS ORIGIN, IT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO THE FEO THE EXPORT PERMIT OF THE SUBJECT ITEMS, AND OTHER SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AFTER THE EXPORTATION.

A licensed manufacturer of firearms, on the other hand, is entitled to import various firearms for reference, test and evaluation for the manufacture of similar types of [firearms covered by the License to Manufacture] SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS. MANUFACTURED LIGHT WEAPONS SHALL BE FOR EXPORT PURPOSES ONLY AND NOT FOR SALE AND DISTRIBUTION LOCALLY UNLESS THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER HAS CONTRACT OF SALE WITH THE GOVERNMENT TO THE AFP, PNP, AND OTHER LEAS AUTHORIZED BY THE PRESIDENT TO OWN AND POSSESS LIGHT WEAPONS.

AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER SHALL SECURE AUTHORITY TO EXPORT MANUFACTURED PARTS OR FINISHED PRODUCTS OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION. THE EXPORT PERMIT OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION SHALL BE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP. "

**SECTION 12.** Section 14-A is hereby added to the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act:

"SEC. 14-A. – SPORT SHOOTER. - A LICENSED CITIZEN SHALL SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL OR AUTHENTICATED COPIES FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS TO SECURE A SPORTS SHOOTER'S LICENSE:

- a) DULY ACCOMPLISHED APPLICATION FORM;
- b) ENDORSEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF AN ACCREDITED GUN CLUB OR SPORTS SHOOTING ASSOCIATION.
- c) CERTIFICATION FROM THE PRESIDENT OF AN ACCREDITED GUN CLUB OR SPORTS SHOOTING ASSOCIATION THAT HE HAS COMPETED AT LEAST ONCE EVERY SIX (6) MONTHS.

APPLICATION FOR SPORTS SHOOTER'S LICENSE MAY BE DONE SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS.

**SECTION 13.**Section 14-B is hereby added to the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act:

"SEC. 14-B. SHOOTING COMPETITIONS. - A RANGE OFFICER OR MATCH OFFICER OR SAFETY OFFICER MUST AT ALL TIMES BE PRESENT IN ALL SHOOTING COMPETITIONS."

**SECTION 14.** Section 14-C is hereby added to the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act:

"SEC. 14-C. SHOOTING RANGE. - SHOOTING RANGE REFERS TO A FACILITY ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIREARMS TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, FIREARM TESTING, AS WELL AS FOR SPORTS AND COMPETITION SHOOTING EITHER FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF ITS MEMBERS OR OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

A SHOOTING RANGE MUST BE DULY REGISTERED WITH AND ACCREDITED IN GOOD STANDING BY THE FEO.

IT MUST COMPLY WITH ALL THE NECESSARY SAFETY REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE FEO.

NO SHOOTING RANGE MAY OPERATE UNLESS THERE IS A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER ACCREDITED BY THE FEO WHO SHALL AT ALL TIMES BE PRESENT IN THE SHOOTING RANGE. A SHOOTING RANGE MAY LIKEWISE EMPLOY A RANGE ATTENDANCE TO ASSIST, GUIDE AND ENSURE SAFETY OF THOSE WHO ARE IN THE RANGE. THE RANGE ATTENDANT SHALL BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE RANGE SAFETY OFFICER.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH SHALL RENDER ITS LICENSE TO OPERATE SUSPENDED UNTIL ITS COMPLIANCE.

SECTION 15. Section 14-D is hereby added to the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act:

"SEC. 14-D. *RANGE SAFETY OFFICER.* -IN ORDER TO BE A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER, THE APPLICANT MUST:

- 1. POSSESS A VALID LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARM;
- 2. SUBMIT NATIONAL POLICE CLEARANCE: PROVIDED, THAT PENDING THE DEVELOPMENT **AND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF** THE **NATIONAL POLICE** CLEARANCE SYSTEM, THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NBI) CLEARANCE MAY BE SUBMITTED. PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT THE CLEARANCE SUBMITTED MUST CERTIFY THAT THE APPLICANT DOES NOT HAVE ANY DEROGATORY RECORD:
- 3. SUBMIT A CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY OR A DOH-ACCREDITED AND AUTHORIZED DRUG TESTING LABORATORY OR CLINIC, IN AREAS WHERE THERE IS NO PNP CRIME LABORATORY, CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED THE DRUG TEST CONDUCTED:

4. SUBMIT A CERTIFICATE THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED A GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP SEMINAR (GSRGOS) WHICH WAS ADMINISTERED BY THE FEO.

THE FEO SHALL PROVIDE AND PUBLISH A LIST OF ALL CERTIFIED RANGE SAFETY OFFICERS IN THE OFFICIAL PNP FEO WEBSITE WHICH SHALL BE UPDATED ANNUALLY OR AS OFTEN AS NECESSARY.

**SECTION 16.** Section 14-E is hereby added to the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act:

"SEC. 14-E. POSSESSION OF RELOADING MACHINES. - THE FOLLOWING ARE AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR LICENSE TO POSSESS AMMUNITION RELOADING MACHINE:

- a) LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTER:
- b) LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITIES;
- c) ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS WITH SHOOTING RANGES;
- d) ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGES; AND
- e) LEAS.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR THE NEW/RENEWAL APPLICATION OF THE LICENSE TO POSSESS AMMUNITION RELOADING MACHINES SHALL BE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP.

LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTERS, JURIDICAL ENTITIES, ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS WITH SHOOTING RANGES, ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGES AND LEAS ARE REQUIRED TO SECURE A LICENSE/PERMIT TO ACQUIRE PRIMER AND GUN POWDER AS A PRE-CONDITION TO THE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO POSSESS AMMUNITION RELOADING MACHINE.

LEAS ARE EXEMPTED FROM PAYMENT OF LICENSE FEES PROVIDED THAT THE LICENSE IS UNDER THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT OR AGENCY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.

CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 32 OF THE LAW, LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTER, LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY, ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS WITH SHOOTING RANGES, ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGES AND LEAS ARE PROHIBITED TO SELL RELOADED AMMUNITION.

RELOADING MACHINES SHALL BE SERIALIZED AND REGISTERED WITH THE FEO. REGISTRATION OF SUCH IS VALID FOR FOUR (4) YEARS AND ITS RENEWAL SHALL BE DONE SIX (6) MONTHS BEFORE ITS EXPIRATION.

RELOADING MACHINES MAY ONLY BE TRANSFERRED TO LICENSED SPORT'S SHOOTER, LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITIES, AND ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS WITH SHOOTING RANGES, ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGES, LEAS, LICENSED MANUFACTURER AND LICENSED DEALER WITH PERMIT TO RELOAD AMMUNITION.

LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITIES, ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS WITH SHOOTING RANGES, ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGES AND LEAS WHICH ARE IN POSSESSION OF RELOADING MACHINES BEFORE THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS REVISED IRR SHALL SECURE A LICENSE TO POSSESS AMMUNITION RELOADING MACHINES WITHIN THE PERIOD OF SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT.

LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTERS, LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITIES, ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS WITH SHOOTING RANGES, ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGES AND LEAS SHALL SUBMIT A MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION AND DISPOSAL OF RELOADING MACHINES AND RELOADED AMMUNITION WITH THE FEO.

**SECTION 17** Section 15 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 15. Registration of Locally Manufactured and Imported Firearms. – [Local manufacturers and importers of firearms and major parts thereof shall register the same as follows:

- (a) For locally manufactured firearms and major parts thereof, the initial registration shall be done at the manufacturing facility: Provided, That firearms intended for export shall no longer be subjected to ballistic identification procedures; and
- (b) For imported firearms and major parts thereof, the registration shall be done upon arrival at the FEO of the PNP storage facility.]

FOR LOCALLY MANUFACTURED FIREARMS AND MAJOR PARTS THEREOF, THE REGISTRATION SHALL BE MADE AT THE MANUFACTURING FACILITY OF THE AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER. TO FACILITATE THE REGISTRATION, THE PNP THROUGH THE FEO SHALL CONDUCT THE INSPECTION AND RECORDING OF THE MANUFACTURED FIREARMS AND MAJOR PARTS THEREOF BASED ON THE RECORDS INITIALLY PREPARED BY THE AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER.

FIREARMS WHICH ARE INTENDED FOR LOCAL SALE AND DISTRIBUTION SHALL BE SUBJECTED TO STENCIL AND TEST PROCEDURES. THE STENCIL AND TEST SHALL BE CONDUCTED AT THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY. IN CASE THE NUMBER OF FIREARMS CANNOT BE ACCOMMODATED IN THE PNP CRIME LAB, THE SAME MAY BE CONDUCTED AT THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER'S FACILITY. THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER SHALL SHOULDER THE FEES AND OTHER NECESSARY EXPENSES.

AFTER COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPHS, THE INSPECTED FIREARMS AND MAJOR PARTS OF FIREARMS SHALL BE REGISTERED WITH THE FIMS BEFORE THEY SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR SALE OR DISTRIBUTION.

FIREARMS INTENDED FOR EXPORTS SHALL BE SUBJECTED ONLY TO STENCIL REQUIREMENT AND SHALL NOT UNDERGO THE BALLISTIC TESTING PROCEDURES, PROVIDED THAT PROOF OF EXPORTATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE FEO.

FOR IMPORTED FIREARMS AND MAJOR PARTS THEREOF, INSPECTION AND INVENTORY SHALL BE DONE UPON ARRIVAL AT THE FEO STORAGE FACILITY AND OTHER CSG-FEO STORAGE FACILITIES.

MAJOR PARTS FOR INDIVIDUAL SALE IN THE PHILIPPINES SHALL HAVE DISTINCT SERIAL NUMBERS AND PROOF MARKS.

- a) MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS WHO HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION LOCALLY MANUFACTURED AND IMPORTED BARRELS, FRAMES AND RECEIVERS, FOR INDIVIDUAL SALE IN THE PHILIPPINES SHALL SERIALIZE THE SAME WITHIN A YEAR FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT. THE FEO SHALL DETERMINE THE SERIAL NUMBERS, WHICH SHALL BE **ENGRAVED AUTHORIZED** BY **MANUFACTURERS** OR AUTHORIZED, **LICENSED GUNSMITHS.**
- b) UPON THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT, THE MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS SHALL ACQUIRE LOCALLY MANUFACTURED AND IMPORTED BARRELS, FRAMES, AND RECEIVERS WITH ENGRAVED SERIAL NUMBERS.

ALL LOCALLY MANUFACTURED/ASSEMBLED FIREARMS SHALL BEAR THE NAME OF THE MANUFACTURER, THE COUNTRY WHERE THE FIREARMS ARE MANUFACTURED AND THEIR SERIAL NUMBERS AND OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED RELEVANT.

LOCALLY MANUFACTURED OR IMPORTED FIREARM OF NEW MODEL OR PROTOTYPE SHALL BE SUBJECT FOR CLASSIFICATION BY THE FCB BEFORE IT CAN BE ALLOWED FOR LOCAL SALES OR DISTRIBUTION. FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE FEO SHALL CREATE THE FCB WHICH SHALL STUDY, REVIEW, VALIDATE AND CLASSIFY THE SAID FIREARM."

**SECTION 18.** Section 16 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 16. - The License to Deal authorizes the purchase, sale and general business in handling firearms and ammunition, major and minor parts of firearms, accessories, spare parts, components, and reloading machines, which shall be issued by the Chief of the PNP.

THE LICENSE TO DEAL SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: PURCHASE, SALE OR TRANSFER, DISTRIBUTION AND GENERAL BUSINESS IN HANDLING FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, MAJOR AND MINOR PARTS OF FIREARMS, SPARE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, RELOADING MACHINES AND AMMUNITION COMPONENTS THAT INCLUDE BULLET AND CARTRIDGE CASE. THE QUANTITY ALLOWED UNDER THE LICENSE TO DEAL SHALL BE BASED ON THE CAPACITY AND CAPABILITY OF THE DEALER AT A GIVEN PERIOD TO BE DETERMINED BY THE FEO. LICENSED DEALER SHALL SECURE A PERMIT TO LOAD/RELOAD AMMUNITION IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED TO LOAD/RELOAD AMMUNITION FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES.

LICENSED DEALERS SHALL APPLY TO THE CHIEF OF PNP THROUGH THE FEO FOR PERMIT TO IMPORT FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, MAJOR AND MINOR PARTS OF FIREARMS, ACCESSORIES, SPARE PARTS, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS THAT INCLUDE BULLET AND CARTRIDGE CASE AND RELOADING MACHINES FOR COMMERCIAL SALE OR DISTRIBUTION BY SUBMITTING THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- a) DULY ACCOMPLISHED APPLICATION FORM; AND
- b) SUMMARY OF TRANSACTIONS.

LICENSED DEALERS SHALL APPLY FOR AUTHORITY TO IMPORT FOR SAMPLE, TEST AND EVALUATION BY COMPLYING WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- a) LETTER REQUEST ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP STATING THE ITEMS TO BE IMPORTED AND THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:
- b) ORIGINAL END-USER'S CERTIFICATE; AND
- c) SPECIAL BANK RECEIPT.

LICENSED DEALERS, MANUFACTURERS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATION/ASSOCIATION SHALL APPLY FOR PERMIT TO CONDUCT GUN SHOW, AND TRADE EXHIBITS, BY COMPLYING WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- a) LETTER REQUEST ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP THRU FEO INDICATING THE VALIDITY OF THEIR LICENSE; AND
- b) SPECIAL BANK RECEIPT OR OTHER PROOF OF PAYMENT.

LICENSED MANUFACTURERS AND/OR DEALERS SHALL APPLY FOR PERMIT TO DISPLAY DURING GUN SHOW AND TRADE EXHIBITS BY COMPLYING WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- a) LETTER REQUEST ADDRESSED TO CHIEF OF THE PNP THRU FEO STATING THE ITEMS TO BE DISPLAYED; AND
- b) SPECIAL BANK RECEIPT OR OTHER PROOF OF PAYMENT.

THE IMPORTER/DEALER SHALL FURNISH A COPY OF THE APPROVED EXPORT PERMIT FROM THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN TO THE FEO UPON EMBARKATION OF ITEMS. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS SHALL BE A VIOLATION OF REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENT AND SHALL BE A GROUND FOR REVOCATION.

A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT SHALL BE APPLIED FOR BY AN AUTHORIZED DEALER FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- a) FOR IMPORTED ITEMS, TRANSPORT FROM PORT OF ENTRY TO CSG- FEO STORAGE FACILITY;
- b) TRANSPORT FROM CSG-FEO STORAGE FACILITY TO AUTHORIZED DEALER;
- c) TRANSPORT FROM DEALER TO RESIDENCE OF FIREARM AND VICE VERSA; AND
- d) TRANSPORT FROM CSG- FEO STORAGE FACILITY OR AUTHORIZED DEALER TO EXHIBIT/DISPLAY/DEMONSTRATION SITE AND VICE VERSA.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMIT TO TRANSPORT IS THE CHIEF OF THE PNP OR THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR (RD).

A LICENSED DEALER SHALL MAINTAIN AN INVENTORY OF ALL ITS TRANSACTIONS ON PURCHASE, IMPORTATION, AND SALE OF FIREARMS, MAJOR AND MINOR FIREARM PARTS, AMMUNITION AND ACCESSORIES. THE INVENTORY SHALL CONTAIN THE NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION OF THE SOLD FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, AS WELL AS THE NAME OF THE BUYERS. REFUSAL ON THE PART OF A LICENSED DEALER TO COMPLY WITH THIS PROVISION SHALL CAUSE THE FORFEITURE OF THE BOND AND SUSPENSION OF ITS LICENSE PENDING POSTING OF NEW BOND."

**SECTION 19.** Section 17 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 17. License and Scope of License for Gunsmiths. — [The license for gunsmiths allow the grantee to repair registered firearms.] A GUNSMITH IS A PERSON WHO UNDERTAKES FOR A CONSIDERATION TO REPAIR, MODIFIES, DESIGNS, BUILDS OR ENHANCE A REGISTERED FIREARM. NO PERSON SHALL BE ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF GUNSMITHING UNLESS HE IS A LICENSED GUNSMITH. The GUNSMITH license shall include customization of firearms from finished or manufactured parts thereof, on per order basis and not in commercial quantities and the making of minor parts thereof, [i.e. pins, triggers, trigger bows, sights and the like only] for the purpose of repairing the registered firearm. [The license for gunsmiths shall be issued by the Chief of PNP.]

IN ORDER TO QUALIFY AND ACQUIRE A LICENSE FOR INDIVIDUAL GUNSMITH, THE APPLICANT MUST:

- a) BE A FILIPINO CITIZEN;
- b) BE AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE (21) YEARS OLD AT THE TIME OF THE FILING OF HIS/HER WRITTEN APPLICATION;
- e) BE OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER;
- d) HAVE A SAFE AND SECURE GUNSMITH FACILITY;
- e) HAVE BURGLAR-PROOF FIREARMS VAULT ENOUGH TO SAFELY ACCOMMODATE THE QUANTITY OF FIREARMS REQUESTED FOR REPAIR;
- f) HAVE UNDERGONE GUNSMITH TRAINING; AND
- g) HAS PASSED THE EVALUATION BY THE PNP EVALUATION BOARD OF THE FEO.

IN ORDER TO QUALIFY AND ACQUIRE A GUNSMITH LICENSE FOR JURIDICAL ENTITY, THE APPLICANT MUST:

- a) BE FILIPINO-OWNED, DULY REGISTERED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC) OR DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI);
- b) BE CURRENT, OPERATIONAL AND A CONTINUING CONCERN;
- c) HAVE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED ALL ITS REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENTS TO THE SEC;
- d) HAVE PAID ALL ITS INCOME TAXES FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AS DULY CERTIFIED BY THE BIR;
- e) HAVE A SAFE AND SECURE GUNSMITH FACILITY; AND
- f) HAVE A BURGLAR-PROOF FIREARMS VAULT ENOUGH TO SAFELY ACCOMMODATE THE QUANTITY OF FIREARMS REQUESTED FOR REPAIR.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES SHALL BE IN THE NAME OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY. PROVIDED, THAT THE LICENSEE AND/OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE HAVE COMPLIED WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT.

IN CASE OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS OR PARTNERSHIPS, THE APPLICANT MAY DULY AUTHORIZE A REPRESENTATIVE TO PROCESS THE APPLICATION THROUGH A SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY (SPA) STATING THAT HE/SHE IS AUTHORIZED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROCESSING THE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE.

IN CASE OF A CORPORATION, IT MAY BE REPRESENTED BY ITS PRESIDENT OR ANY CORPORATE OFFICER OR MEMBER OF THE BOARD, EMPOWERED THROUGH A BOARD RESOLUTION DULY CERTIFIED BY A SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE.

THE LICENSE ISSUED TO A GUNSMITH AS JURIDICAL ENTITY SHALL INCLUDE THE AUTHORITY FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES TO REPAIR AND/OR CUSTOMIZE FIREARMS.

ALL REQUIREMENTS ON CLEARANCES AND PERMITS SHOULD BE VALID AT THE TIME OF FILING OF THE APPLICATION.

THE LICENSE FOR GUNSMITH SHALL SPECIFICALLY STATE THE PLACE OF BUSINESS WHERE THE LICENSEE SHALL CONDUCT BUSINESS. EXCEPT FOR OFF-SITE CONTRACTED ACTIVITIES, THE LICENSEE OR ITS EMPLOYEES, IF ANY, SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO REPAIR AND/OR CUSTOMIZE A FIREARM IN ANY OTHER PLACE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED IN THE LICENSE.

LICENSED GUNSMITH SHALL REPLACE THE BARREL, FRAME, OR RECEIVER OF A FIREARM UPON PRESENTATION OF VALID LTOPF AND FIREARM PARTS REGISTRATION. LICENSED GUNSMITH SHALL ONLY REPLACE SLIDE, CYLINDER OR BOLT ASSEMBLY OF A FIREARM, UPON PRESENTATION OF A PERMIT TO REPLACE SLIDE, CYLINDER OR BOLT ASSEMBLY ISSUED BY THE FEO. LICENSED GUNSMITH SHALL TURNOVER THE REPLACED UNSERVICEABLE BARREL, SLIDE, FRAME, RECEIVER, CYLINDER OR BOLT ASSEMBLY OF A FIREARM TO THE FEO OR ITS COUNTERPART FOR FINAL DISPOSITION.

THE LICENSED GUNSMITH WHO IS AUTHORIZED BY THE PNP TO REPAIR A FIREARM, PARTICULARLY THE CONDUCT OF RE-ETCHING/STAMPING OF THE FIREARM'S MAKE, MODEL, SERIAL NUMBER AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF THE MAJOR GUN INCLUDING ITS INDIVIDUAL OR PECULIAR IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS ESSENTIAL IN FORENSIC EXAMINATION, SHALL BRING THE REPAIRED FIREARM TO THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY FOR RE-STENCIL AND RE-**TESTING PROCEDURES** TO BE **ABLE** TO ACCORDINGLY THE BALLISTICS AND STENCIL RECORDS OF THE SUBJECT FIREARM IN THE FIREARMS IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (FIS) OF THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY.

UNREGISTERED FIREARMS OR THOSE WITH EXPIRED FIREARM REGISTRATION SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR REPAIR AND/OR CUSTOMIZATION. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS PROVISION SHALL BE A GROUND FOR THE REVOCATION OF THE GUNSMITH'S LICENSE AFTER DUE PROCESS AND ANY PERSON IN VIOLATION OF THIS PROVISION SHALL BE HELD LIABLE AND PENALIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW.

LICENSED GUNSMITH SHALL MAINTAIN A PERMANENT RECORD OF ALL TRANSACTIONS SUCH AS THE LIST OF THE FIREARMS AND THE SCOPE OF THE RESPECTIVE REPAIR AND/OR CUSTOMIZATION TO INCLUDE PHOTOCOPY OF THE LICENSE TO OWN OR POSSESS FIREARMS AND THE FIREARM REGISTRATION THE SUBJECT FIREARM. MONTHLY REPORT SHALL BE SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE THE FIFTEENTH (15TH) DAY OF THE FOLLOWING MONTH TO THE FEO. REFUSAL ON THE PART OF LICENSED GUNSMITH TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL CAUSE THE REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR NEW APPLICATION, RENEWAL AND AMENDMENT FOR GUNSMITH'S LICENSE SHALL BE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP BUT MAY BE DELEGATED TO THE HEAD OF THE FEO.

LICENSE FOR GUNSMITH SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OR UNLESS SOONER REVOKED FOR CAUSE.

THE APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE FEO BEFORE THE DATE OF THE EXPIRATION OF SUCH LICENSE.

IF AN APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL IS FILED AND OFFICIALLY RECEIVED AT LEAST 90 DAYS PRIOR TO ITS EXPIRATION DATE, THE LICENSE SHALL REMAIN VALID UNTIL A DECISION IS RENDERED ON THE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL. IN THIS INSTANCE, THE RECKONING DATE OF VALIDITY OF THE RENEWED LICENSE SHALL BE ON THE DAY AFTER THE EXPIRY DATE OF THE PREVIOUS LICENSE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF GUNSMITH'S LICENSE, A CEASE TO OPERATE (CTO) ORDER WITH NOTICE OF CONFISCATION SHALL BE ISSUED BY THE PNP THROUGH THE FEO TO THE LICENSEE WITH EXPIRED LICENSE, INFORMING THE LATTER OF THE FOLLOWING:

- a) THAT, ITS LICENSE HAD ALREADY EXPIRED;
- b) THAT, IT HAS A 60-DAY GRACE PERIOD TO RE-APPLY FOR A NEW LICENSE SUBJECT TO THE IMPOSITION OF PENALTIES TO BE DETERMINED BY THE PNP; AND
- c) THAT, ITS FAILURE TO APPLY FOR A NEW LICENSE WITHIN THE GRACE PERIOD WILL CAUSE THE CONFISCATION OF THE FIREARMS, PARTS, MACHINERY, TOOL OR INSTRUMENT USED OR INTENDED TO REPAIR OR CUSTOMIZE FIREARMS.

UNLESS THE GUNSMITH IS ISSUED A NEW LİCENSE, THE LATTER SHALL LIKEWISE BE PROHIBITED TO EXERCISE THE AUTHORITIES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THIS SECTION."

**SECTION 20.** Section 18 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 18. Firearms for Use in Sports and Competitions.—A [qualified individual] LICENSED SPORTS SHOOTER shall apply for a [p]Permit to [t]Transport (PTT) for his/her registered [firearm/s] FIREARMS AND AMMUNITIONS from his/her residence to the [firing] SHOOTING range and competition [sites as may be warranted] SITE. PROVIDED, SUCH REQUIREMENT WILL NO LONGER BE REQUIRED IF THE LICENSEE HAS A VALID PTCFOR. PROVIDED FURTHER THAT IN CASE OF COMPETITION ABROAD, PTT SHALL STILL BE REQUIRED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER HE HAS AN EXISTING PTCFOR.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO TRANSPORT (PTT) FOR LOCAL SHOOTING RANGE AND COMPETITION SITE SHALL BE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP OR THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF THE PNP. FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICATION, THE APPLICANT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO ACCOMPLISH PTT APPLICATION FORM ISSUED BY THE FEO.

IN CASE OF APPLICATION FOR PTT FOR USE OF COMPETITION OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY, THE SAME SHALL BE ISSUED ONLY BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP. FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICATION, THE APPLICANT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- a) ACCOMPLISH PTT APPLICATION FORM ISSUED BY THE FEO;
- b) APPLICATION OR INVITATION FROM THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE; AND
- c) ENDORSEMENT FROM RECOGNIZED GUN ASSOCIATION/CLUB.

A MINOR MAY PARTICIPATE IN BOTH LOCAL OR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION USING A FIREARM OWNED, REGISTERED, AND POSSESSED BY AN AUTHORIZED GUN CLUB OR BY HIS/HER PARENTS OR IN THEIR ABSENCE, BY HIS/HER LEGAL GUARDIAN.

PROVIDED THAT THE LICENSED OWNER OF THE FIREARM SHALL BE WITH THE MINOR DURING PRACTICE SESSIONS AND COMPETITIONS. PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT THERE SHOULD ALWAYS BE A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER PRESENT WHILE THE MINOR IS HANDLING THE REGISTERED FIREARM. THE FEO SHALL FORMULATE THE NECESSARY RULES FOR THIS PURPOSE."

SECTION 21. Section 19 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 19. Renewal of Licenses and Registration. - All types of licenses shall be renewed every [two (2)] FOUR (4) years. Failure to renew the license on or before the date of expiration shall cause [the] AUTOMATIC revocation of the license and of the registration of the firearm under said licensee.

The registration of the firearm shall be renewed every four (4) years. Failure to renew the registration of the firearm on or before the date of expiration shall cause [the] AUTOMATIC revocation of the [license] REGISTRATION of the firearm. The said firearm shall be confiscated or forfeited in favor of the government after due process.

The application for the renewal of the license or **FIREARM** registration may be submitted to the FEO [of the PNP] within six (6) months before the date of the expiration of such license or registration.

Failure to renew a license or **FIREARM** registration **WITHOUT JUSTIFIABLE CAUSE** within the period stated above on two (2) occasions shall cause the holder of the firearm to be perpetually disqualified from applying for [any] firearm license.

THE CHIEF OF THE PNP THROUGH FEO SHALL FORMULATE THE NECESSARY POLICIES AND GUIDELINES FOR THE RENEWAL OF LICENSES AND/OR REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS ON THE FOLLOWING:

- (a) LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS (CITIZEN);
- (b) LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS (JURIDICAL);
- (c) LONG CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION;
- (d) SHORT CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION;
- (e) REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS (CITIZEN);
- (f) REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS (JURIDICAL); AND
- (g) PERMIT TO CARRY FIREARM OUTSIDE OF RESIDENCE (PTCFOR)."

**SECTION 22.** Section 20 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 20. Inspection and Inventory. – THE INSPECTION SHALL BE DONE PERIODICALLY AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSING, INVENTORY, MONITORING PURPOSES AND INVESTIGATION AS THE CASE MAY BE.

The [Chief of PNP or his/her authorized representative shall require the submission of reports,] PNP THROUGH THE CSG-FEO OR ANY OFFICE AUTHORIZED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP SHALL inspect or examine the inventory and records of a licensed manufacturer, LICENSED dealer, [or importer of firearms and ammunition during reasonable hours] licensed gunsmith, accredited gun club and accredited shooting range.

THE PNP THROUGH CSG-FEO OR ANY OFFICE AUTHORIZED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP SHALL INSPECT OR EXAMINE THE INVENTORY AND RECORDS OFALL EXPIRED LICENSE AND ACCREDITATION WITH PROHIBITION ORDER.

THE INSPECTION TEAM SHALL BE COVERED WITH A LETTER ORDER TO BE HEADED BY A POLICE COMMISSIONED OFFICER (PCO). THE INSPECTION OR EXAMINATION OF RECORDS AND INVENTORIES SHALL BE CONDUCTED DURING REASONABLE HOURS.

A COPY OF THE REPORT OF INSPECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER, LICENSED DEALER, LICENSED GUNSMITH, ACCREDITED GUN CLUB AND ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGE WITHIN FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE OF INSPECTION.

IN CASE OF ADVERSE FINDINGS, LICENSED MANUFACTURER, LICENSED DEALER, LICENSED GUNSMITH, ACCREDITED GUN CLUB AND ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGE SHALL BE GIVEN FIFTEEN (15) WORKING DAYS, FROM RECEIPT OF THE SAID REPORT, TO COMPLY WITH THE FINDINGS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS.

NON-COMPLIANCE ON THE FINDINGS OR RECOMMENDATIONS OR BOTH OF THE INSPECTION TEAM WITHIN THE GIVEN PERIOD SHALL BE A GROUND FOR THE DENIAL OF APPLICATION OR REVOCATION OR CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION OF THE LICENSE, RECOGNITION OR ACCREDITATION.

THE CHIEF OF THE PNP OR HIS/HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SHALL REQUIRE THE SUBMISSION OF MONTHLY, QUARTERLY OR ANNUAL REPORTS OR BOTH, AS THE CASE MAY BE, FROM:

- (a) LICENSED MANUFACTURER, LICENSED DEALER, AND LICENSED GUNSMITH, SUCH AS THE FOLLOWING:
  - 1. PRODUCTION REPORTS:
  - 2. INVENTORY OF RAW MATERIALS;
  - 3. SALES REPORT;
  - 4. INVENTORY REPORT OR ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT; AND
  - 5. OTHER REPORTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED;
- (b) ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS AND SHOOTING RANGE SUCH AS THE FOLLOWING:
  - 1. FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION INVENTORY REPORT OR ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT; AND
  - 2. OTHER REPORTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED."

**SECTION 23.** Section 21 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 21. Acquisition or Purchase and Sale of Firearms and Ammunition. - Firearms and ammunition may only be acquired or purchased from authorized dealers, importers or local manufacturers and may be transferred only from a licensed citizen or juridical entity to another licensed citizen or licensed juridical entity EXCEPT IN THE CASE THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO POSSESS PROVISIONAL LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS.

LICENSED FIREARM HOLDER PRIOR TO RA 10591, WHO ARE NO LONGER INTERESTED TO CONTINUE POSSESSING HIS/HER FIREARM MAY TRANSFER THE SAME TO A LICENSED CITIZEN OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS UPON THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT OR BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE PROVISIONAL LTOPF IN CASE THE FIREARM HOLDER APPLIED FOR SUCH.

THE IMPORTATION, MANUFACTURE, DEAL-IN, ACQUISITION, PURCHASE, SALE OR DISPOSAL OF OR POSSESSION OF ANY FIREARM, DETACHED PARTS OF FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION THEREFORE, OR ANY INSTRUMENT OF IMPLEMENT USED OR INTENDED TO BE USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OR FIREARMS, PARTS OF FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION ENTITIES NOT DULY LICENSED OR AUTHORIZED FOR SUCH PURPOSE IS A VIOLATION OF THESE RULES AND SHALL BE PENALIZED IN ACCORDANCE

WITH THIS ACT WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO OTHER CRIMINAL, CIVIL OR ADMINISTRATIVE LIABBLITY THAT MAY ARISE. AUTHORIZED DEALER AND MANUFACTURER SHALL ONLY SELL REGISTERED FIREARM OR AMMUNITION OR MAJOR PARTS OF A FIREARM TO A LICENSED CITIZEN OR A LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY.

[Provided, that] During election period, the sale, transfer and registration of firearms and ammunition AND MAJOR PARTS and the issuance of [the corresponding licenses to citizens] LICENSE TO A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL OR A QUALIFIED JURIDICAL ENTITY THEREOF shall be allowed [on the condition that]. HOWEVER, the transport or delivery [thereof] OF THE FIREARMS shall strictly comply with the issuances, resolutions, rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission on Elections."

**SECTION 24.** Section 22 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 22. Deposit of Firearms by Persons Arriving From Abroad.- A person arriving in the Philippines who is legally in possession of any firearm or ammunition in his/her country of origin and who has declared the existence of the firearm upon embarkation and disembarkation but whose firearm is not registered in the Philippines in accordance with this Act shall deposit the same upon written receipt with the Collector of Customs for delivery to the FEO [of the PNP] for safekeeping [or for the issuance of a permit to transport if the person is a competitor in a sports shooting competition. If the importation of the same is allowed and the party in question desires to obtain a domestic firearm license, the same should be undertaken in accordance with the provisions of this Act. If no license is desired or leave to import is not granted, the firearm or ammunition in question shall remain in the custody of the FEO [of the PNP] until otherwise disposed of in-accordance with law].

IF THE PERSON ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES IS A SPORTS SHOOTER IN HIS/HER COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, HIS/HER LICENSED/REGISTERED FIREARM OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH SHALL BE DEPOSITED UPON WRITTEN RECEIPT WITH THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS FOR DELIVERY TO THE FEO FOR ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- a) LETTER REQUEST ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP;
- b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT;
- c) FIREARM LICENSE/REGISTRATION ISSUED BY THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN; AND
- d) INVITATION FROM THE HOST GUN CLUB/ASSOCIATION.

A PERSON ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES WHO IS LEGALLY IN POSSESSION OF ANY FIREARM AND/OR AMMUNITION IN HIS/HER COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AND DESIRES TO OBTAIN A DOMESTIC FIREARM LICENSE SHALL FIRST SECURE IMPORT PERMIT. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SECURING IMPORT PERMIT:

- a) LETTER TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP REQUESTING THAT IMPORTATION BE ALLOWED;
- b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT;

c) FIREARM LICENSE/REGISTRATION OR PROOF OF LAWFUL POSSESSION ISSUED BY THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DULY AUTHENTICATED BY THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL SHALL UNDERGO SAME PROCEDURE IN OBTAINING LICENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND SUBMIT AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERTAKING THAT SAID FIREARM WILL NOT BE SOLD OR DONATED WITHIN THE PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS UNLESS DONATED TO THE PNP.

A PERSON ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES WHO IS LEGALLY IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, FIREARM PARTS AND ACCESSORIES AND WHO DESIRES TO USE THE SAME IN EXHIBITS, THEATRICAL AND OTHER RELEVANT PURPOSES SHALL FIRST SECURE PERMIT TO HOLD SUCH ACTIVITY. THE FOLLOWING ARE REQUIREMENTS FOR SECURING SUCH PERMIT:

- a) LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP REQUESTING FOR PERMIT TO HOLD SUCH ACTIVITY;
- b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT;
- c) FIREARM LICENSE/REGISTRATION OR PROOF OF LAWFUL POSSESSION ISSUED BY THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DULY AUTHENTICATED BY THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY; AND
- d) AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERTAKING THAT FIREARM WILL NOT BE SOLD/DONATED AND THAT RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PROPER STORAGE SHALL BE OBSERVED.

UPON DISEMBARKATION, AND UPON WRITTEN RECEIPT WITH THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS, SAID FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, FIREARM PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, SHALL BE DELIVERED AND DEPOSITED TO THE FEO FOR SAFEKEEPING AND ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT BASED ON THE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES. THE DURATION OF THE VALIDITY, THE PLACE OR PLACES WHERE THE FIREARM COULD BE BROUGHT, AND THE PURPOSE THEREOF SHALL BE INDICATED IN THE PERMIT TO TRANSPORT.

**MEMBERS** OF DIPLOMATIC **CORPS SUCH** AS DIPLOMATS/FOREIGN DIGNITARIES. DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE AND/OR ATTACHES WHO ARE ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES WITH AN OFFICIAL BUSINESS (OB) OF HIS/HER GOVERNMENT ARE ALLOWED TO POSSESS AND CARRY FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AS ACCORDED WITH COURTESY AND SOME PRIVILEGE WHICH ARE NOT USUALLY EXTENDED WITH AN ORDINARY FOREIGNER VIS-À-VIS WITH THE SAME PRIVILEGE BEING ACCORDED TO PHILIPPINES DIPLOMATS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES PURSUANT TO THE INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED LEGAL PRINCIPLE OF RECIPROCITY.

IF THE FIREARM IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THESE RULES AND THAT RETURN OF THE FIREARM TO THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN CANNOT BE MADE, THE FIREARM SHALL REMAIN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE FEO PURSUANT TO SECTION 25 OF THIS ACT."

**SECTION 25.** Section 23 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 23. Return of Firearms to Owner upon Departure from the Philippines. - Upon the departure from the Philippines of any person whose firearm or ammunition is in the custody of the FEO [of the PNP], the same, shall, upon timely request, be delivered to the person through the Collector of Customs.

Firearms and ammunition deposited in the FEO for safekeeping, in relation to Section 22, shall only be released by the FEO upon departure of the person from the Philippines, through the Collector of Customs, provided that he/she submits the following requirements:

- a) Letter request addressed to the FEO:
- b) Photocopy of the passport; and
- c) Proof of travel.

[In case of a participant in a local sports shooting competition] IN THE CASE OF FIREARM USED IN LOCAL SHOOTING COMPETITION OR EXHIBITS, THEATRICAL PURPOSES AND OTHER RELEVANT PURPOSES, the firearm/s must be presented to the Collector of Customs before the same is allowed to be loaded on board the carrier on which the person is to board.

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS SHALL LOAD SAID FIREARM OR AMMUNITION TO THE CARRIER ON WHICH THE PERSON IS TO BOARD."

**SECTION 26.** Section 24 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 24. Safekeeping of Firearms and Ammunition. - Any licensee may deposit a registered firearm, PARTS, AND/OR AMMUNITION TO THE CSG-FEO, POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE, POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICE, CITY OR MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICE for safekeeping. A WRITTEN RECEIPT SHALL BE ISSUED CORRESPONDING TO THE DEPOSIT AND reasonable fees for storage shall be imposed."

**SECTION 27.** Section 25 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 25. Abandoned Firearms and Ammunition. — [Any firearm or ammunition deposited in the custody of the FEO [of the PNP] pursuant to the provisions of this Act, shall be deemed to have been abandoned by the owner or his/her authorized representative if he/she failed to reclaim the same within five (5) years or failed to advise the FEO [of the PNP] of the disposition to be made thereof.]FIREARMS, PARTS OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH, DEPOSITED WITH THE FEO FOR SAFEKEEPING SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE (5) YEARS. FAILURE TO CLAIM THE DEPOSITED FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION WITHIN FIVE (5) YEARS OR NON-PAYMENT OF STORAGE FEE FOR FIVE (5) CONSECUTIVE YEARS OR BOTH, SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS ABANDONED FIREARMS.

Firearms, parts or ammunition that have been found and deposited to the CSG-FEO, Police Regional Office, Police Provincial Office, City or Municipal Police Office and remained unclaimed for five (5) years shall be considered as abandoned firearm.

[Thereafter, the FEO of the PNP] THE CSG-FEO, POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE, POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICE, CITY OR MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICE may dispose of the same after compliance with established procedures.

**SECTION 28.** Section 26 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 26. Death or Disability of Licensee. - UPON THE DEATH OF A LICENSED CITIZEN, THE PRIVILEGE OF HIS/HER LICENSE TO OWN OR POSSESS FIREARMS AND THE REGISTRATION OF THE FIREARM AUTOMATICALLY EXPIRES. IN CASE OF LEGAL DISABILITY, THE PRIVILEGE PROVIDED FOR BY A LICENSE TO OWN OR POSSESS FIREARMS AND THE REGISTRATION OF THE FIREARM SHALL BE REVOKED.

WHEN A LICENSED CITIZEN WITH REGISTERED FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION DIES OR BECOMES LEGALLY DISABLED, HIS/HER NEXT OF KIN, NEAREST RELATIVE, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OR ANY OTHER PERSON, SHALL CAUSE THE DELIVERY OF THE SAME TO THE CSG-FEO OR POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE OR THROUGH THE NEAREST POLICE STATION WHICH HAS JURISDICTION OVER THE LICENSEE AND/OR THE REGISTERED FIREARMS WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED PERIOD PROVIDED HEREUNDER:

- a. IF THE NEXT OF KIN, NEAREST RELATIVE, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, OR ANY OTHER PERSON HAS PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE FIREARMS, WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS AFTER THE DEATH OR LEGAL DISABILITY; AND
- b. IF THE NEXT OF KIN, NEAREST RELATIVE, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, OR ANY OTHER PERSON HAS NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE FIREARMS, WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE ACTUAL POSSESSION OF THE FIREARMS.

UPON PRESENTATION OF THE PROOF THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS THE LEGITIMATE HEIR PURSUANT TO THE LAW, HE/SHE MAY REGISTER SMALL FIREARM PROVIDED HE/SHE MEETS THE STANDARD REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ACT, OR MAY TRANSFER TO LICENSED CITIZEN OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY.

PENDING THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT, THE REGISTERED FIREARM OF THE DECEASED OR LEGALLY DISABLED LICENSEE SHALL REMAIN UNDER THE CUSTODY OF THE FEO OR THE POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE (PRO) WHICH

HAS JURISDICTION OVER THE LICENSEE AND/OR THE REGISTERED FIREARM. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS NO QUALIFIED APPLICANT, THE CHIEF OF THE PNP THROUGH THE FEO SHALL DISPOSE THE FIREARM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES SET FORTH FOR THIS PURPOSE.

[The] failure to deliver the firearm or ammunition [within six 960 months after the death or legal disability of the licensee] PURSUANT PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, shall render the possessor liable for illegal possession of firearm OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH.

FOR LICENSED CITIZENS, LEGAL DISABILITY SHALL INCLUDE BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

- a) MENTAL INCAPACITY;
- b) CONVICTION FOR A CRIME PUNISHABLE WITH A PENALTY OF MORE THAN 2 YEARS;
- c) CONVICTION OF ANY CRIME INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE;
- d) PENDENCY OF A CRIMINAL CASE WITH IMPOSABLE PENALTY OF MORE THAN 2 YEARS; OR
- e) FAILURE TO PASS THE GUN SAFETY SEMINAR; OR
- f) FAILURE TO PASS THE REQUIRED DRUG TEST.

IN CASE OF LEGAL DISABILITY OF JURIDICAL ENTITIES, AUTHORIZED BONDED FIREARM CUSTODIANS, OWNERS OR ANY OF THE OFFICERS OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS, **PARTNERSHIPS** PRESIDENTS, OR VICE PRESIDENTS, TREASURERS. OR **CORPORATE SECRETARIES OF** CORPORATIONS, SHALL CAUSE THE DELIVERY OF ITS REGISTERED FIREARM TO THE CSG-FEO OR PRO FOR SAFEKEEPING UNTIL LEGAL DISPOSITION THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH **EXISTING** LAWS. RULES. REGULATIONS.

THE FIREARMS, EXCEPT LIGHT WEAPONS MAY, HOWEVER, BE TRANSFERRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS TO LICENSED CITIZENS, LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY, LICENSED MANUFACTURER, LICENSED DEALER OR SURVIVING CORPORATIONS IN CASE OF CORPORATE MERGERS OR CONSOLIDATED CORPORATIONS IN CASE OF CORPORATE CONSOLIDATION OR TO ANY SUBSIDIARIES/SISTER CORPORATIONS.

FAILURE TO DELIVER THE FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS AFTER THE LEGAL DISABILITY OF THE LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY SHALL RENDER THE AUTHORIZED BONDED FIREARM CUSTODIANS AND OWNERS OR ANY OF THE OFFICERS OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS, **PARTNERSHIPS** OR PRESIDENTS, VICE PRESIDENTS. TREASURERS, OR **CORPORATE SECRETARIES OF** CORPORATIONS LIABLE FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF THE FIREARMS.

FOR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITIES, LEGAL DISABILITY SHALL INCLUDE BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

- a) EXPIRED LICENSE TO OPERATE (LTO); OR
- b) CEASE TO OPERATE (CTO) ORDER ISSUED BY THE CSG-SOSIA.

THIS IS WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO PROVISIONAL LTOPF."

**SECTION 29.** Section 27 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 27. Antique Firearm - Any person who possesses an antique firearm shall secure [a collector's license] AN ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR'S LICENSE from the FEO [of the PNP] AND SHALL REGISTER THE SAME. Proper storage of antique firearms shall be strictly imposed. Non-compliance of this provision shall be considered as illegal possession of the firearms as penalized under this Act.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR SHALL MAINTAIN PROPER STORAGE OF ANTIQUE FIREARMS WHICH SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC INSPECTION AND INVENTORY BY THE CHIEF, PNP OR HIS/HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE LICENSE OF AN ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR DOES NOT INCLUDE OWNING OR ACQUIRING AMMUNITIONS FOR THE USE OF THE ANTIQUE FIREARM.

A PERMIT TO CARRY FIREARMS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE (PTCFOR) SHALL NOT BE ISSUED TO FIREARMS CLASSIFIED AND REGISTERED AS ANTIQUE FIREARM.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR SHALL SUBMIT A STATUS REPORT OF HIS/HER ANTIQUE FIREARMS ON A YEARLY BASIS FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES. ANTIQUE FIREARMS COULD ONLY BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR WHO SHALL REGISTER THE SAME.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARMS COLLECTOR MAY IMPORT OR EXPORT HIS/HER ANTIQUE FIREARM PROVIDED THAT THE LICENSEE HAS SECURED CLEARANCE FROM THE NATIONAL MUSEUM AND APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY THROUGH THE FEO.

FOR DISPLAY, EXHIBIT, CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH PURPOSES, ANTIQUE FIREARMS SHALL BE ALLOWED TO BE TRANSPORTED FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER AS LONG AS A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT OR ANY APPROPRIATE PERMIT WAS ISSUED BY THE FEO.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE VAULTS TO STORE THE ANTIQUE FIREARM OR SHALL BE APPROPRIATELY FRAMED FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES.

NONCOMPLIANCE OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE A GROUND FOR THE REVOCATION OF LICENSE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE FILING OF APPROPRIATE CHARGES IN COURT.".

**SECTION 30.** Section 37 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 37. Confiscation and Forfeiture. - The imposition of penalty for any violation of the law shall carry with it the accessory penalty of confiscation and forfeiture of the firearm, ammunition or parts thereof, machinery, tool or instrument in favor of the government which shall be disposed of in accordance with law.

ALL CONFISCATED FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AMMUNITION, MACHINERY, TOOLS OR INSTRUMENTS WITHOUT ANY CASE FILED BEFORE THE COURT MUST BE REPORTED AND TURNED OVER TO THE FEO.

DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CASE, ALL CONFISCATED FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AMMUNITION, MACHINERY, TOOLS OR INSTRUMENTS MUST BE REPORTED TO FEO.

AFTER THE PENDENCY OF THE CASE, ALL FORFEITED FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AMMUNITION, MACHINERY, TOOLS OR INSTRUMENTS USED AS EVIDENCE IN COURT SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE FEO FOR FINAL DISPOSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.

FIREARMS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED AS ABANDONED, SURRENDERED, CONFISCATED OR REVOKED IN COMPLIANCE WITH EXISTING RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL BE TURNED-OVER TO THE FEO FOR PROPER DISPOSAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW."

Approved,