

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE BILL 443  
Judiciary II Committee Substitute Adopted 5/2/13

Short Title: Amend Abandoned Firearms Law.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 27, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF ABANDONED FIREARMS TO PERSONS  
3 LICENSED AS FIREARMS COLLECTORS, IMPORTERS, OR MANUFACTURERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 15-11.2(e) reads as rewritten:

6 "(e) Disposition of Firearm. – The judge, after hearing, may order the disposition of the  
7 firearm in one of the following ways:

8 (1) By ordering the firearm turned over to be destroyed by the sheriff of the  
9 county in which the law enforcement agency applying for the order of  
10 disposition is located or by the sheriff's duly authorized agent. The sheriff  
11 shall maintain a record of the destruction of the firearm.

12 (2) By ordering the firearm turned over to the law enforcement agency applying  
13 for the disposition of the firearm for (i) the official use of the ~~agency or~~  
14 agency, (ii) sale, trade, or exchange by the agency to a federally licensed  
15 firearm dealer in accordance with all applicable State and federal firearm  
16 ~~laws.~~ laws, or (iii) by selling the firearm at a public auction to persons  
17 licensed as firearms collectors, importers, or manufacturers. The court may  
18 order a disposition of the firearm pursuant to this subsection only if the  
19 firearm has a legible, unique identification number."

20 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2013, and applies to any firearm  
21 found or received by a law enforcement agency on or after that date.

