

**First Regular Session  
Seventy-third General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**INTRODUCED**

LLS NO. 21-0667.01 Conrad Imel x2313

**HOUSE BILL 21-1185**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING REPEALING REGULATIONS RELATED TO FIREARMS, AND,**  
102                    **IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, PROMOTING SOCIAL DISTANCING**  
103                    **IN HANDGUN TRAINING CLASSES.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Under existing law, during a disaster emergency the governor may suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of firearms, explosives, and combustibles. The bill repeals the governor's authority related to firearms and clarifies that the governor may not suspend or limit the sale of firearms ammunition during a disaster emergency.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

The bill repeals the prohibition on completing a handgun training class via the internet or in a location other than the physical location where the certified instructor offers the course.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-704, **amend**  
3 (7)(h) as follows:

4 **24-33.5-704. The governor and disaster emergencies - response**  
5 **- duties and limitations.** (7) In addition to any other powers conferred  
6 upon the governor by law, the governor may:

7 (h) Suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of  
8 alcoholic beverages, ~~firearms~~, explosives, or combustibles; EXCEPT THAT,  
9 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBSECTION (7), THE  
10 GOVERNOR MAY NOT SUSPEND OR LIMIT THE SALE OF FIREARMS  
11 AMMUNITION;

12 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-202, **repeal**  
13 (5)(b) as follows:

14 **18-12-202. Definitions.** As used in this part 2, unless the context  
15 otherwise requires:

16 (5) (b) ~~Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection (5),~~  
17 ~~"handgun training class" does not include any firearms safety course that~~  
18 ~~allows a person to complete the entire course:~~

19 (I) ~~Via the internet or an electronic device; or~~

20 (H) ~~In any location other than the physical location where the~~  
21 ~~certified instructor offers the course.~~

22 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
23 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
24 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except

1 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
2 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
3 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
4 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
5 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
6 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.