

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 963

By: Senator B. King

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL FIREARM  
LAWS IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO PROHIBIT THE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL  
FIREARM LAWS IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 73, Subchapter 1, is amended to create a new section to read as follows:

5-73-134. Unlawful enforcement of federal statutes.

(a) A public servant or private dealer selling any firearm in this state shall not knowingly enforce or attempt to enforce any act, law, statute, rule, or regulation of the United States Government relating to a personal firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition that is owned or manufactured commercially or privately in Arkansas and that remains exclusively within the borders of Arkansas.

(b) A person who violates this section upon conviction is guilty of a Class D felony.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 15, Subchapter 1, is amended to add a new section to read as follows:

12-15-101. Prohibition against federal firearm regulation.

A federal law, rule, regulation, or order created or effective on or after January 1, 2013, shall be unenforceable within the borders of Arkansas



if the law, rule, regulation, or order attempts to:

(1) Prohibit or restrict ownership of a semiautomatic firearm or any magazine of a firearm; or

(2) Require any firearm, magazine, or other firearm accessory to be registered in any manner.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter 16, Subchapter 7, is amended to add a new section to read as follows:

25-16-714. Defense of an Arkansas resident in firearm cases.

(a) The Attorney General shall defend a resident of Arkansas who is prosecuted by the United States Government for violation of a federal law relating to the manufacture, sale, transfer, or possession of a firearm, a firearm accessory, or ammunition owned or manufactured and retained exclusively within the borders of Arkansas.

(b) If the defendant chooses to retain private counsel in his or her defense against prosecution, the Attorney General shall be relieved as counsel.