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Short Title:	Permit Req'd/Assault Weapon & Long Gun.	(Public)	
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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A PERMIT FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN ASSAULT WEAPON OR

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

LONG GUN.

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SECTION 1. G.S. 14-402 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-402. Sale of certain weapons without permit forbidden.

(a) It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation in this State to sell, give away, or transfer, or to purchase or receive, at any place within this State from any other place within or without the State any pistol pistol, assault weapon, or long gun unless: (i) a license or permit is first obtained under this Article by the purchaser or receiver from the sheriff of the county in which the purchaser or receiver resides; or (ii) a valid North Carolina concealed handgun permit is held under Article 54B of this Chapter by the purchaser or receiver who must be a resident of the State at the time of the purchase.

It is unlawful for any person or persons to receive from any postmaster, postal clerk, employee in the parcel post department, rural mail carrier, express agent or employee, railroad agent or employee within the State of North Carolina any pistol pistol, assault weapon, or long gun without having in his or their possession and without exhibiting at the time of the delivery of the same and to the person delivering the same the permit from the sheriff as provided in G.S. 14-403. Any person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

- (b) This section does not apply to an antique firearm or an historic edged weapon.
- (c) The following definitions apply in this Article:
 - (1) Antique firearm. Defined in G.S. 14-409.11.
 - (1a) Assault weapon. The term includes all of the following:
 - Any selective-fire firearm capable of semiautomatic or burst fire at the option of the user. The term also includes all of the following semiautomatic firearms:
 - 1. Algimec Agmi.
 - 2. Armalite AR-180.
 - 3. <u>Australian Automatic Arms SAP Pistol.</u>
 - 4. Auto-Ordnance Thompson type.
 - 5. Avtomat Kalashnikov AK-47 type.
 - 6. Barrett Light-Fifty model 82A1.
 - 7. Beretta AR-70.
 - 8. Bushmaster Auto Rifle and Auto Pistol.



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6	6 <u>14.</u> <u>Fabrique Nationale FN/FAL, FN/LAR, and FN/F</u>	<u>NC.</u>
7	7 <u>15.</u> <u>FAMAS MAS 223.</u>	
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12	<u> </u>	<u>Pistol.</u>
13	3 <u>Heckler & Koch HK-91, HK-93, HK-94, and SP-</u>	<u>·89.</u>
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	25. <u>Iver Johnson Emorcer moder 3000.</u>	
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21	29. <u>Spectre Auto Carbine and Auto Pistol.</u>	
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23	31. Sterling MK-6 and MK-7.	
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25	52. Street System and Striker 12 reveals in a cylinder	ahatauna
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28	8 <u>Weaver Arms Nighthawk.</u>	
29	9 <u>Wilkinson "Linda" Pistol.</u>	
30	b. All of the following semiautomatic centerfire rifles,	or copies or
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33	2. <u>AK-74.</u>	
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36	5 <u>ARM.</u>	
37	6. <u>MAADI AK47.</u>	
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	9. <u>NTHV190 and NTHV191.</u>	
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3		<u> 19.</u>	I.O. Inc. PPS-43C.
4		20.	Kel-Tec PLR 16 Pistol.
5		21.	Sig Sauer P516 and P556 Pistols.
6		<u>22.</u>	Thompson TA5 Pistols.
7	<u>d.</u>		ZHMASH Saiga 12 Shotguns, or copies or duplicates with the
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9	<u>e.</u>	All se	miautomatic firearms that meet any of the following criteria:
10	_	<u>1.</u>	A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has the ability to accept
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12			I. A folding or telescoping stock.
13			II. Any grip of the weapon, including a pistol grip, a
14			thumbhole stock, or any other stock, the use of which
15			would allow an individual to grip the weapon, resulting
16			in any finger on the trigger hand in addition to the
17			trigger finger being directly below any portion of the
18			action of the weapon when firing.
19			III. A forward pistol grip.
20			IV. A flash suppressor.
21			V. A grenade launcher or flare launcher.
22		<u>2.</u>	A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has a fixed magazine
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24		<u>3.</u>	A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has an overall length of
25		<u>5.</u>	less than 30 inches.
26		<u>4.</u>	A semiautomatic pistol that has an ability to accept a
27		<u></u>	detachable magazine and has at least one of the following:
28			I. An ability to accept a detachable ammunition magazine
29			that attaches at some location outside of the pistol grip.
30			II. A threaded barrel capable of accepting a flash
31			suppressor, forward pistol grip, or silencer.
32			III. A shroud that is attached to, or partially or completely
33			encircles, the barrel and that permits the shooter to fire
34			the firearm without being burned, except a slide that
35			encloses the barrel.
36			IV. A second hand grip.
37		<u>5.</u>	A semiautomatic pistol with a fixed magazine that has the
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39		<u>6.</u>	A semiautomatic shotgun that has both of the following:
40		<u>0.</u>	I. A folding or telescoping stock.
41			II. Any grip of the weapon, including a pistol grip, a
42			thumbhole stock, or any other stock, the use of which
43			would allow an individual to grip the weapon, resulting
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45			trigger finger being directly below any portion of the
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47		7	action of the weapon when firing. A semiautomatic shotgun that has the ability to accept a
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50	(4) 11:242		A shotgun with a revolving cylinder.
30	(4) Histo	nic eage	d weapon. – Defined in G.S. 14-409.12.

General Assembly Of North Carolina Session 2019 1 Long guns. – A shotgun or rifle that is not considered an antique firearm or (4a) 2 assault weapon, as those terms are defined under this section." 3 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 14-403 reads as rewritten: 4 "§ 14-403. Permit issued by sheriff; form of permit; expiration of permit. 5 The sheriffs of any and all counties of this State shall issue to any person, firm, or corporation 6 in any county a permit to purchase or receive any weapon mentioned in this Article from any 7 person, firm, or corporation offering to sell or dispose of the weapon. The permit shall expire 8 five years from the date of issuance. The permit shall be a standard form created by the State 9 Bureau of Investigation in consultation with the North Carolina Sheriffs' Association, shall be of a uniform size and material, and shall be designed with security features intended to minimize 10 11 the ability to counterfeit or replicate the permit and shall be set forth as follows: North Carolina, 12 _____County. 13 14 I, _____, Sheriff of said County, do hereby certify that I have conducted a criminal background check of the applicant, _____ whose place of residence is _____ in _ 15 (or) in _____ Township, ____ County, North Carolina, and have received no 16 17 information to indicate that it would be a violation of State or federal law for the applicant to purchase, transfer, receive, or possess a handgun. The applicant has further satisfied me as to his, 18 19 her (or) their good moral character. Therefore, a permit is issued to ______ to purchase one 20 pistol pistol, one assault weapon, or one long gun from any person, firm or corporation authorized 21 to dispose of the same. 22 This permit expires five years from its date of issuance. 23 This ___ day of _____, ____. 24 25 Sheriff. 26 The standard permit created by this section shall be used statewide by the sheriffs of any and 27 all counties and, when issued by a sheriff, shall also contain an embossed seal unique to the office 28 of the issuing sheriff." 29 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 14-404(c)(1) reads as rewritten: 30 One who is under an indictment or information for or has been convicted in 31 any state, or in any court of the United States, of a felony (other than an offense 32 pertaining to antitrust violations, unfair trade practices, or restraints of trade). 33 However, a person who has been convicted of a felony in a court of any state 34 or in a court of the United States and (i) who is later pardoned, or (ii) whose 35 firearms rights have been restored pursuant to G.S. 14-415.4, may obtain a 36 permit, if the purchase or receipt of a pistol pistol, assault weapon, or long gun 37 permitted in this Article does not violate a condition of the pardon or 38 restoration of firearms rights."

SECTION 4. G.S. 14-408.1(a)(2) reads as rewritten:

"(2) Firearm. – A handgun, <u>assault weapon</u>, shotgun, or rifle which expels a projectile by action of an explosion."

SECTION 5. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to be used to assist sheriffs in implementing the provisions of this act.

SECTION 6. Sections 5 and 6 of this act become effective July 1, 2020. The remainder of this act becomes effective December 1, 2020, and applies to the sale, giving away, transfer, purchase, or receiving of a pistol, assault weapon, or long gun on or after that date.

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