

REFERENCE TITLE: firearms; merchant category codes; prohibition

State of Arizona  
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## **HB 2727**

Introduced by  
Representatives Nguyen: Bliss, Gillette

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 6, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 6-194; RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 6, chapter 2, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
3 is amended by adding section 6-194, to read:

4 6-194. Firearms; financial institutions; merchant category  
5 code; prohibition; enforcement

6 A. A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION MAY NOT REQUIRE ANY MERCHANT RETAILER OR  
7 SPORTING GOODS RETAILER IN THIS STATE TO USE A FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION  
8 MERCHANT CATEGORY CODE.

9 B. ANY PERSON MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
10 ALLEGING A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION. IF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DECLINES TO  
11 INVESTIGATE OR DOES NOT FIND A VIOLATION, THE PERSON MAY FILE A COMPLAINT  
12 IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION. IF THE COURT FINDS BY A  
13 PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION HAS  
14 OCCURRED, THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION THIRTY DAYS TO  
15 CURE THE VIOLATION AND DESTROY ANY PROTECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

16 C. IF THE COURT FINDS THAT THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION FAILS TO  
17 COMPLY WITH SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION AFTER THE THIRTY-DAY PERIOD AS  
18 PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION THE COURT SHALL:

19 1. ENJOIN THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION FROM COLLECTING ANY FURTHER  
20 PROTECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

21 2. REQUIRE THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION TO SURRENDER ANY LICENSE TO DO  
22 BUSINESS IN THIS STATE FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO FIVE YEARS.

23 3. IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO \$50,000 ON THE FINANCIAL  
24 INSTITUTION.

25 4. ORDER ANY OTHER RELIEF AS THE COURT MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.