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Bill Number: HB2064ER

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Bill Title: Firearm locking device required for sale or transfer of firearm; warning against accessibility to children; penalty.

Bill Summary: Makes it a Class 3 misdemeanor for any licensed manufacturer, licensed importer, or licensed dealer to sell, deliver, or transfer any firearm to any person other than a licensed manufacturer, licensed importer, or licensed dealer unless the transferee is provided with a locking device for that firearm and the firearm is accompanied by a warning, in conspicuous and legible type in capital letters printed on a separate sheet of paper included within the packaging enclosing the firearm, that firearms should be locked and kept away from children and that there may be civil and criminal liability for failing to do so. The bill provides exceptions for law-enforcement and governmental agencies.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

Items Impacted: N/A

Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: There is an indeterminate amount of possible revenue from fines to the Literary Fund.

Fiscal Analysis: A Class 3 misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of up to \$500. These offenses carry no jail time. All revenue collected from such fines is deposited into the Literary Fund. However, it is not possible to estimate either the number of convictions that may result or the amount of each fine that may be assessed under this legislation. Therefore, the impact of this bill cannot be determined. Additionally, according to Virginia State Police (VSP), this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on agency operations.

Other: None.