



1995 SENATE BILL 217

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1 **AN ACT to create** 175.36 of the statutes; **relating to:** the transfer of firearms and
2 providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law provides that various conditions, including a background check of a prospective purchaser, must be met before a federally licensed firearms dealer may transfer a handgun after a sale. Current law also requires that upon the retail sale or transfer of any firearm, the person who is selling or transferring the firearm must provide a warning to the person buying or receiving the firearm about the possible criminal penalties that may be imposed if a person leaves a loaded firearm within the reach or easy access of a child.

This bill prohibits a federally licensed firearms dealer from transferring any firearm unless the firearm is securely locked with a trigger lock. The bill also prohibits any person from accepting the transfer of a firearm from a federally licensed firearms dealer unless the firearm is securely locked with a trigger lock. Any person who violates the bill's prohibitions may be fined not less than \$500 nor more than \$10,000 and may be imprisoned for not more than 9 months.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 175.36 of the statutes is created to read:
4 **175.36 Trigger lock required upon transfer of firearm.** (1) In this
5 section, "firearms dealer" means any person engaged in the business of importing,
6 manufacturing or dealing in firearms and having a license as an importer,
7 manufacturer or dealer issued by the U.S. department of the treasury.

