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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/29/13

FURTHER: Rules

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 4/4/13

State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12(EDT)

HJR 12 SUPPORT IN-STATE FIREARMS MANUFACTURING

Encouraging the manufacture of firearms and firearms accessories in the state.

and recommends:

- be **replaced** with SCS _____ (_____) Same Title Technical Title Change New Title/SCR No. _____
- adopt **previous** SCS _____ (_____) Same Title Technical Title Change New Title/SCR No. _____
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

Dept Abbr.	
ADM	LWF
CED	LAW
COR	LEG
CRT	MVA
EED	DNR
DEC	DPS
DFG	REV
GOV	DOT
DHS	UA

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #
Leg			✓	1

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
	Cochitt	✓			
	Stessel	✓			
CHAIR:	Dyson	✓			

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REPRESENTATIVE MIKE CHENAULT SPEAKER OF THE ALASKA STATE HOUSE

SPONSOR STATEMENT

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE for HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 12 (EDT): SUPPORT IN-STATE FIREARMS MANUFACTURING

Committee Substitute for House Joint Resolution 12 (EDT) is based on a resolution recently introduced in the Montana State House. CSHJR 12 (EDT) encourages and invites gun and gun accessory manufacturers to bring their business to Alaska. With a number of states considering the enactment of legislation restricting or prohibiting the possession or manufacturing of certain firearms and accessories, it is imperative the Administration and the Legislature make it known that we would welcome them to our state. Our excellent constitutional and statutory protections for firearm use, possession and manufacturing makes Alaska an ideal place for firearm and accessory manufacturers to relocate their business to our state.

The list of the various manufacturers was produced by the National Shooting Sports Association and represents major weapon and accessory manufacturers.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version HJR12
Fiscal Note Number _____
() Publish Date _____

Identifier (file name) HJR12-LEG-SESS-03-25-13 Dept. Affected Alaska Legislature
Title Encouraging the manufacture of firearms and firearms Appropriation Legislative Operating Budget
accessories in the state. Allocation Session Expenses
Sponsor Chenault, Hawker, Millett, Johnson, Pruitt, Olson, Thompson
Requester Representative Hughes OMB Component Number 782

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

	FY14 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY14 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY14	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants, Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002	Federal Receipts						
1003	GF Match						
1004	GF						
1005	GF/Prgm (DGF)						
1037	GF/MH (UGF)						
1178	temp code (UGF)						
TOTAL		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

CHANGE IN REVENUES

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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY13) operating costs _____ (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY14) costs _____ (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency?
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended, or repealed? _____ Discuss details in analysis section.

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Initial Version

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Date/Time 3/25/13 11:40am
Date 3/25/2013

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HJR12

Analysis

This Legislation has zero fiscal impact on the Legislative Affairs Agency.

Colorado --(Ammoland.com)- Company confirms plan to relocate “almost immediate” once Governor signs bill to limit magazine sizes.

Here's what Magpul released:

Apparently Gov Hickenlooper has announced that he will sign HB 1224 on Wednesday. We were asked for our reaction, and here is what we said:

We have said all along that based on the legal problems and uncertainties in the bill, as well as general principle, we will have no choice but to leave if the Governor signs this into law. We will start our transition out of the state almost immediately, and we will prioritize moving magazine manufacturing operations first. We expect the first PMAGs to be made outside CO within 30 days of the signing, with the rest to follow in phases. We will likely become a multi-state operation as a result of this move, and not all locations have been selected. We have made some initial contacts and evaluated a list of new potential locations for additional manufacturing and the new company headquarters, and we will begin talks with various state representatives in earnest if the Governor indeed signs this legislation. Although we are agile for a company of our size, it is still a significant footprint, and we will perform this move in a manner that is best for the company and our employees.

It is disappointing to us that money and a social agenda from outside the state have apparently penetrated the American West to control our legislature and Governor, but we feel confident that Colorado residents can still take the state back through recalls, ballot initiatives, and the 2014 election to undo these wrongs against responsible Citizens... (Magpul release – March 18, 2013)

Read more at Ammoland.com: <http://www.ammoland.com/2013/03/magpul-turns-its-back-on-colorado-after-banning-gun-magazines/#ixzz2OfD00YDG>

Colorado gun magazine manufacturer, Magpul Industries, says it's moving operations

Posted: 03/21/2013

Last Updated: 1 day ago

BOULDER, Colo. - A Colorado company that makes gun magazines says it expects to begin making magazines out of state within 30 days.

Gun accessory manufacturer, Magpul Industries, posted on its Facebook page that it is "actively working" on plans to move now that Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper has signed three gun control bills -- one of which limits magazines to 15 rounds.

"We will start our transition out of the state almost immediately, and we will prioritize moving magazine manufacturing operations first," Magpul posted on its Facebook this week. "We expect the first PMAGs to be made outside CO within 30 days of the signing, with the rest to follow in phases. We will likely become a multi-state operation as a result of this move, and not all locations have been selected."

A search found at least five Facebook groups asking Magpul to move to their states. "Magpul Industries - Texas Wants You" has 2,046 likes. "Bring Magpul Industries to Alabama" has 1,551 likes. The group's page says, "This is a grassroots effort to help bring Magpul Industries to the great State of Alabama!"

Magpul is based in Erie. It has about 200 workers.

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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5
2 INTRODUCED BY K. KERNS

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4 A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA INVITING
5 FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS AND FIREARMS ACCESSORY MANUFACTURERS THREATENED BY
6 HOSTILE LAWS IN OTHER STATES TO MOVE TO MONTANA.

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8 WHEREAS, some states have enacted laws or are considering enacting laws that would prohibit the
9 possession of certain firearms or of certain firearms accessories; and

10 WHEREAS, these laws may make it impossible for existing manufacturers to remain in or legally do
11 business in those states; and

12 WHEREAS, many firearms and firearms accessory manufacturers are examining options for relocating
13 their manufacturing to a more firearms-friendly location; and

14 WHEREAS, Montana is a firearms-friendly state with a good legal infrastructure for firearms possession,
15 use, and manufacture; and

16 WHEREAS, Montana has a well-educated workforce of people with a strong work ethic and with a culture
17 of firearms knowledge and tolerance; and

18 WHEREAS, Montana offers space, beauty, and a great place to live and work.

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20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
21 MONTANA:

22 That Montana says to threatened firearms manufacturers and firearms accessory manufacturers: "Come
23 to Montana. We want you here!".

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Montana says: "Montana is open for business for manufacturers of
25 firearms and firearms accessories".

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State is encouraged to coordinate with
27 firearms-related groups and businesses existing in Montana to develop contacts with manufacturers of firearms
28 and firearms accessories in other states and deliver this resolution to them.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Governor Steve Bullock is urged to actively seek out any
30 manufacturers of firearms and firearms accessories to encourage them to move to Montana and to aid these



- 1 manufacturers in relocation in whatever way may be possible.
- 2 - END -

OUTDOOR CHANNEL PULLS PRODUCTION FROM COLORADO DUE TO COLORADO SENATE BETRAYING 2ND RIGHTS!

From: Michael Bane
Date: Tue, Mar 5, 2013
at 4:09 PM
Subject: OUTDOOR CHANNEL Pulls Productions from Colorado
To: Steve King

Dear Senator King;

I met you yesterday after the so-called "public hearings" on the antigun bills; as I mentioned, I am an Executive Producer for OUTDOOR CHANNEL. I currently have four series in production, including GUN STORIES, the top show on OC, with several additional series in development. My series focus on guns, hunting, shooting and the outdoors.

This morning I met with my three Producers, and we made the decision that if these antigun bills become law, we will be moving all of our production OUT of Colorado. We have already cancelled a scheduled filming session for late this month.

Obviously, part of this is due to our own commitment to the right to keep and bear arms, but it also reflects 3 lawyers' opinions that these laws are so poorly drafted and so designed to trap otherwise legal citizens into a crime (one of our attorneys referred to them as "flypaper laws") that it is simply too dangerous for us to film here.

I can give you chapter and verse on the legal implications if you need, but suffice to say that the first legal opinion was so scary we went out and got two others. All three attorneys agreed.

We are relatively small potatoes in television, but our relocation of production will cost Colorado a little less than a million dollars in 2013.

Secondly, we have proudly promoted Colorado in our productions (and have been moving more and more production into the state); now we will do exactly the opposite. What does this mean for Colorado? The community of television producers is a small one. Last week I had lunch with a major network producer who was looking to locate his new reality series in Colorado.

That producer is also a shooter, and the new reality series will now be based out of Phoenix. That lunch cost Colorado over a million in economic impact.

Thirdly, according to numbers I received from the National Shooting Sports Foundation (for whom I used to work) yesterday, hunting had an almost \$800,000,000 impact on Colorado in

2012, driving as many as 8330 jobs. Next month I will be in Texas meeting with most of the top outdoor/hunting producers, and the Number One agenda item will be Colorado. Already, hunting organizations and statewide hunting clubs around the country are pulling out of Colorado, and we expect this trend to accelerate rapidly.

The message we will take to our viewers and listeners is that these proposed laws are so dangerous to hunters and any other person, be she a fisherman or a skier who brings a handgun into the state for self-defense, that we cannot recommend hunting, fishing or visiting Colorado. We reach millions of people, and, quite frankly, we have a credibility that Colorado government officials can no longer match. Colorado Division of Wildlife is already running ads trying to bring more out-of-state hunters to Colorado...in light of the flood of negative publicity about these proposed laws, I can assure you those ads will fail.

We estimate that as many as one-quarter to one-third of out-of-state hunters will desert Colorado in the next 18-24 months, which will quite frankly be a disaster for the hunting industry in Colorado and have a devastating effect on our western and northern communities (certainly cities like Grand Junction).

This is not a "boycott" in the traditional sense of a centralized, organized operation; rather, it is more of a grassroots decision on where shooters, hunters and other sportsmen are willing to spend their money. Look at the collapse of the Eastern Sports and Outdoor Show in February. That venerable multimillion dollar trade show chose to ban modern sporting rifles and standard capacity magazines, and within three weeks it collapsed as all vendors and sponsors pulled out.

Colorado is going to pay a huge price for laws that will do nothing. Thank you, sir, for your support.

Best.

Michael Bane

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