

1 AN ACT relating to firearm storage.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 527 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) A person is guilty of unlawful storage of a firearm when:*

6 *(a) He or she recklessly stores or leaves a firearm in a manner which allows a*  
7 *minor to have unsupervised access to a firearm which is not secured by:*

8 *1. A securely locked box or container;*

9 *2. A device or mechanism, other than the firearm safety, designed to*  
10 *render the firearm temporarily inoperable; or*

11 *3. Carrying the firearm on his or her body; and*

12 *(b) The minor, without permission of the parent or guardian, accesses the*  
13 *firearm.*

14 *(2) Unlawful storage of a firearm is a Class B misdemeanor, unless the minor,*  
15 *without legal justification, uses the firearm in a manner which results in physical*  
16 *injury, serious physical injury, or death to the minor or another person, in which*  
17 *case it is a Class A misdemeanor.*

18 *(3) This section does not apply when the minor obtains the firearm as a result of*  
19 *unlawful means.*