

1 AN ACT relating to unlawful discriminatory practices.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 237 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *As used in Sections 1 to 3 of this Act:*

6 *(1) "Ammunition" has the same meaning as in KRS 237.060;*

7 *(2) "Financial institution" means any person doing business under the laws of any*  
8 *state or commonwealth or the United States relating to banks, bank holding*  
9 *companies, savings banks, payment processors, savings and loan associations,*  
10 *trust companies, or credit unions;*

11 *(3) "Firearm" has the same meaning as in KRS 237.060;*

12 *(4) "Firearm accessory" means a device specifically designed or adapted to enable*  
13 *the wearing or carrying about one's person, or the storage or mounting in or on a*  
14 *conveyance, of a firearm, or an attachment or device specifically designed or*  
15 *adapted to be inserted into or affixed onto a firearm to enable, alter, or improve*  
16 *the functioning or capabilities of the firearm;*

17 *(5) "Government entity" means any federal, state, or local government entity,*  
18 *agency, or instrumentality, including any county, city, municipal corporation,*  
19 *urban-county government, charter county government, consolidated local*  
20 *government, unified local government, special district, special purpose*  
21 *governmental entity, public school district, or public institution of education; and*

22 *(6) "Trade association" means any person, corporation, unincorporated association,*  
23 *federation, business league, or professional or business organization:*

24 *(a) Not organized or operated for profit and for which no part of its net*  
25 *earnings inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual;*

26 *(b) That is an organization described in 26 U.S.C. sec. 502(c)(6) and exempt*  
27 *from tax under 26 U.S.C. sec. 501(a); and*

1        (c) That has two (2) or more members that are manufacturers or sellers of  
2                firearms, firearms accessories, or ammunition.

3        ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 237 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5        (1) It shall be unlawful for a financial institution or government entity to adopt a  
6                policy that it will not do business with a manufacturer, retailer, or distributor of  
7                firearms, firearms accessories, or ammunition; a shooting range; or a trade  
8                association solely because the manufacturer, retailer, distributor, shooting range,  
9                or trade association supports or is engaged in the lawful commerce of firearms,  
10               firearms accessories, or ammunition products.

11       (2) Nothing in Sections 1 to 3 of this Act shall be construed to prohibit, restrict, or in  
12               any way interfere with a financial institution or government entity making any  
13               decision to do business with any entity when that decision is based on business or  
14               financial considerations.

15       ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 237 IS CREATED TO  
16 READ AS FOLLOWS:

17       The Attorney General may file a civil cause of action in District Court in the name of  
18       the Commonwealth against a financial institution or government entity believed to be  
19       engaging in or that has previously engaged in an unlawful discriminatory practice  
20       under Section 2 of this Act to:

21       (1) Obtain a declaratory judgment that the act or practice violates Section 2 of this  
22               Act;

23       (2) Enjoin any act or practice that violates Section 2 of this Act by seeking a  
24               temporary restraining order or preliminary or permanent injunction, without  
25               bond, upon the giving of appropriate notice; or

26       (3) Recover civil penalties of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per violation of  
27               Section 2 of this Act.