

possess any such pistol. At the time of making a purchase of a pistol the purchaser shall exhibit to the seller a permit to purchase such pistol issued by the Commissioners and no seller shall deliver any pistol to any person unless such permit is exhibited to him and he makes a record of such permit to purchase, as may be required by regulation.

"(b) No person shall ship, transport for delivery, or deliver to any person within the District any pistol or any package which such shipper, transporter, or deliverer has reason to believe contains one or more pistols, without first notifying the Commissioners in writing of the name and address of the person to whom such pistol or package is being shipped or delivered and the place of delivery. Delivery to such person shall be withheld for such reasonable period of time as may be specified in writing by the Commissioners during which period the Commissioners shall cause an investigation to be made to determine whether such person is qualified under the provisions of this Act to obtain a permit to receive, own, or possess any such pistol. In the event the Commissioners determine that such person is not qualified under this Act to receive, own, or possess a pistol, they shall serve upon the shipper, transporter, and such person written orders prohibiting such delivery to such person, or if they determine that the person is so qualified they shall, in writing, so notify the shipper, transporter, and such person.

"(c) No person shall purchase any machine gun, sawed-off shotgun, or blackjack within the District of Columbia without first obtaining a permit from the Commissioners. No person shall sell or deliver any such weapon within the District, or ship or deliver any package within the District if he has reason to believe that such package contains any such weapons, without first obtaining written permission to do so from the Commissioners.

"(d) Whoever violates this section or any order served by the Commissioners pursuant to this section shall be punished as provided in section 15 of this Act, unless the violation occurs after such person has been convicted in the District of a violation of this section or of a felony, either in the District or in another jurisdiction, in which case he shall be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than ten years.

"Sec. 9. No person shall within the District engage in the business of selling, or manufacturing, or repairing pistols, machine guns, rifles, shotguns, sawed-off shotguns, or blackjacks without being licensed as provided in section 10 of this Act.

"Sec. 10. (a) The Commissioners may grant licenses, effective for not more than one year from date of issue, permitting the licensee to sell at retail or at wholesale, or to manufacture or to repair, pistols, machine guns, rifles, shotguns, sawed-off shotguns, or blackjacks. Whenever any such licensee shall breach any conditions upon which his license was issued or upon violation of any provision of this Act or of any provision of section 7 of the Act of July 1, 1902 (32 Stat. 622, et seq., ch. 1352; ch. 23, title 47, D.C. Code, 1961 edition), which is applicable to any such licensee or of any applicable regulation made pursuant to such Acts, the license shall be subject to suspension or revocation and the licensee shall be subject to punishment as provided in this Act.

"(b) Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the provisions of section 7 of the Act approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stat. 622, et seq., ch. 1352; ch. 23, title 47, D.C. Code, 1961 edition), relating to the issuance, revocation, suspension, transfer, and assignment of licenses, and license taxes or fees, and the provisions of such section 7 relating to the supervision, regulation, and inspection of licensed businesses, shall be applicable to licenses authorized to be issued by this section and to the holders of such licenses.

"(c) The Commissioners are authorized and empowered to fix, and from time to time increase or decrease, fees for any services rendered under this section. The Commissioners shall increase, decrease, or fix fees in such amounts as will, in the judgment of the Commissioners, approximate the cost to the District of administering this section.

"Sec. 11. No person shall, in purchasing any weapon or applying for any permit or license under this Act, or in giving any information pursuant to the requirements of this Act, give false information or offer false evidence of his identity.

"Sec. 12. No person shall within the District change, alter, remove, or obliterate the name of the maker, model, manufacturer's number, or other mark or identification on any pistol, machine gun, rifle, shotgun, or sawed-off shotgun. Possession of any pistol, machine gun, rifle, shotgun, or sawed-off shotgun upon which any such mark shall have been changed, altered, removed,