

"(10) Any final decision or final order denying, suspending, or revoking any application, permit, or license, or renewal of any permit or license, issued or applied for under the District of Columbia Dangerous Weapons Act."

SEC. 5. Section 911 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia", approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1337), as amended (§ 23-301, D. C. Code, 1961 edition), is amended by inserting after the word "place" where such word first appears "any weapon, instrument, attachment or appliance possessed in violation of the Act approved July 8, 1932 (47 Stat. 650, ch. 465), as amended."

SEC. 6. Section 914 of such Act approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 23-304, D.C. Code, 1961 ed.), is amended by adding the following:

"If the property seized be a dangerous article declared to be a nuisance by section 17 of the Act approved July 8, 1932 (47 Stat. 654), as amended, such article shall be disposed of pursuant to such section 17."

SEC. 7. Nothing contained in this Act or in any amendment made by this Act shall be construed as diminishing power or authority vested in the Commissioners of the District of Columbia by section 4 of the Act of June 30, 1906 (34 Stat. 809, ch. 3932; sec. 1-227, D.C. Code, 1961 ed.), or by section 7 of the Act of July 1, 1902 (32 Stat. 622, et seq., ch. 1352; ch. 23, title 47, D.C. Code, 1961 ed.), to make and enforce regulations relating to firearms, projectiles, explosives, or weapons of any kind, but this Act and amendments made by this Act shall be deemed as supplemental to such section 4 of the Act of June 30, 1906, and such section 7 of the Act of July 1, 1902.

SEC. 8. The provisions of section 4(c) of such Act approved July 8, 1932, as amended by this Act, relating to the voluntary delivery of weapons to police, shall take effect upon the approval of this Act. The remaining provisions of this Act shall take effect on the thirtieth day following approval by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia of initial regulations made pursuant to the authority contained in such Act approved July 8, 1932, as amended by this Act, and on such effective date all outstanding licenses for the possession of pistols in the District of Columbia shall be of no force or effect.

SEC. 9. That the first section of the Federal Firearms Act (52 Stat. 1250; 15 U.S.C., ch. 18) is amended by adding at the end of the definition of the term "interstate or foreign commerce" the following sentence: "For the purposes of this Act the term 'State' shall be held to include the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico."

SEC. 10. Appropriations to carry out the purposes of this Act are hereby authorized.

Mr. TOBRINER. This letter sets forth the need for the recommended legislation, and explaining its provisions, which, the Commissioners believe, would provide the District with a strong, enforceable law to deal with the dangerous weapons problem in the District of Columbia. The Commissioners desire at this time to recommend that the Congress consider the enactment of legislation substantially similar to that set forth in the draft bill which I have offered for the record.

So much then for H.R. 7525.

I shall now proceed to a discussion of S. 486, a bill to amend certain criminal laws applicable to the District of Columbia, and for other purposes. This bill, designed to strengthen certain existing provisions of criminal law in the District, broadens the law governing immunity of witnesses in certain criminal proceedings, and to make certain procedural changes, was drafted by the U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia with the assistance of the Corporation Counsel. The Commissioners recommend its enactment.

Briefly, the first section of the bill amends section 848 of the act of March 3, 1901, relating to the crime of malicious injury or destruction of property. Section 848 is broadened to cover malicious injury or destruction of all personal and real property, rather than being limited, as at present, only to the malicious injury or destruction of movable property. Also, at present section 848 makes it a felony to