

FACT SHEET**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA****TITLE**

An ordinance to add a new Section 50-135.3 to Chapter 50, Article II, Division 5 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances relative to reporting lost and stolen firearms and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

DATE

July 14, 2020

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT**COUNCIL DISTRICT**

City-wide

SPONSORS

Councilman John Nickelson

PURPOSE

This ordinance adds a new Section 50-135.3 to the Code of Ordinances.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This ordinance requires the owner of a lost or stolen firearm to report the loss or theft to the Shreveport Police Department within 48 hours after discovery of the loss or theft.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: July 14, 2020
Final Passage: July 28, 2020

ATTACHMENTS

None

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

NA

FINANCES

NA

SOURCE OF FUNDS

NA

ALTERNATIVES

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) Amend the ordinance, or (3) Reject the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Councilman John Nickelson recommends that the City Council adopt this ordinance.

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Deputy Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. _____ OF 2020

AN ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 50-135.3 TO CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 5 OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO REPORTING LOST AND STOLEN FIREARMS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY COUNCILMEMBER: JOHN NICKELSON

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana in due, legal and regular session convened, that a new Section 50-135.3 be hereby added to Chapter 50, Article II, Division 5 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana Code of Ordinances to read as follows:

Sec. 50-135.3. – Reporting lost and stolen firearms.

(a) The owner of a lost or stolen firearm shall report the loss or theft to the Shreveport Police Department within 48 hours after discovery of the loss or theft.

(b) It shall be the responsibility of the Shreveport Police Department to document the loss or theft including, if known, the serial number of the lost or stolen firearm.

(c) Any person who violates subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$500.00 for a first offense and a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 for each subsequent offense.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance which can be given affect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of [Shreveport City Charter Section 4.23](#).

THUS DONE AND ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office