

TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION 2: HEALTH

§ 2523. Seizure of Firearms

(a) A law enforcement officer who takes a person into custody pursuant to the Involuntary Civil Commitment Act may immediately seize any firearm or ammunition found in possession of the person. After seizing a firearm or ammunition under this subsection, the Department of Public Safety shall comply with the requirements of this section.

(1) A law enforcement officer who seizes a firearm or ammunition from a person taken into custody under the Involuntary Civil Commitment Act shall promptly provide the person a receipt for the firearm or ammunition and a written notice of the procedure for the return of a firearm or ammunition.

(b) If a person to whom written notice is provided or another lawful owner of a firearm subject to disposition under this section does not submit a written request to the Department of Public Safety for the return of the firearm or ammunition before the 121st day after the date the Department seizes the firearm or ammunition, the Department may sell, destroy, or otherwise dispose of the firearm or ammunition as provided by law. The proceeds from the sale of a firearm under this subsection shall be given to the owner of the seized firearm, less the reasonable costs of administering this section.

Source: PL 19-42 § 11 (Apr. 11, 2016), modified.

Commission Comment: The Commission numbered this section pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(a). The Commission changed the capitalization of “Section” in subsection (a) for the purpose of conformity pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(f).