



Memorandum

Date:

May 2, 2024

To:

Robin Stieler, Clerk of the Board

From:

Katrina Foley, Fifth District Supervisor

Re:

Agenda Item for May 21, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meeting

Please add an item to the May 21, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting directing staff to draft an ordinance updating the County of Orange's municipal code to adopt Secure Gun Storage Ordinance. The purpose and intent of this item is to promote public safety and health by preventing firearm access by unauthorized persons by creating an ordinance requiring the safe storage of firearms in residences within unincorporated Orange County.

This ordinance shall be drafted with the following provisions:

- A prohibition making it unlawful for any person to keep a firearm within any residence, including its accessory structures or accessory buildings, whether attached or detached, unless the firearm is stored in a locked container or disabled with a trigger lock.
- This prohibition shall include the following exceptions:
 - 1. The *firearm* is carried on the body of a *person* who is an *authorized* user of the *firearm*.
 - 2. The *firearm* is in the immediate control of the *authorized user* so that the *person* can readily retrieve and use the *firearm* as if carried on the *person's* body.
 - 3. In order to encourage reports to law enforcement agencies of lost or stolen *firearms*, a *person* who files a report with a law enforcement agency notifying the agency that a *firearm* has been lost or stolen shall not be subject to prosecution for violation of this section for the *firearm* that is reported lost or stolen.

Jurisdictions in California with a Secure Gun Storage Ordinance

<u>California counties with secure gun storage ordinances:</u> San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Yolo.

California cities with secure gun storage ordinances: Alameda, Antioch, Belmont, Belvedere, Berkeley, Burlingame, Calabasas, Los Angeles, San Diego, Colma, Cudahy, Culver, Daly, Davis, Del Mar, Dublin, East Palo Alto, Encinitas, Faster, Goleta, Hermosa Beach, Hillsborough, Livermore, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Millbrae, Monte Sereno, Moraga, Morgan Hill, Morro Bay, Mountain View, Napa, Oakland, Orinda, Palm Springs, Palo Alto, Pleasanton, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Bruno, San Carlo, San Clemente, San Francisco, San Jose, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, San Marino, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Saratoga, Solana Beach, South Pasadena, South San Francisco, St. Helena, Sunnyvale, Tiburon, Walnut Creek, West Hollywood, Woodland, and Yountville.