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Burglary Amendments
2025 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Colin W. Jack
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3 **LONG TITLE**4 **General Description:**

5 This bill creates the criminal offense of damaging a firearm storage container or safety
6 device during the commission of a burglary.

7 **Highlighted Provisions:**

8 This bill:

- 9 ▶ defines terms;
- 10 ▶ creates the criminal offense of damaging a firearm storage container or safety device
11 during the commission of a burglary; and
- 12 ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

13 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

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15 **Other Special Clauses:**

16 None

17 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

18 ENACTS:

19 **76-6-202.3**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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21 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

22 Section 1. Section **76-6-202.3** is enacted to read:

23 **76-6-202.3 . Damaging a firearm storage container or safety device in the**
24 **commission of a burglary.**

25 (1)(a) As used in this section:

26 (i) "Burglary" means:

27 (A) the offense of burglary as described in Section 76-6-202;

28 (B) the offense of aggravated burglary as described in Section 76-6-203;

29 (C) the offense of burglary of a vehicle as described in Section 76-6-204; or

30 (D) the offense of burglary of a railroad car as described in Section 76-6-204.5.

31 (ii) "Firearm safety device" means a firearm trigger lock or other device intended to
32 prevent a firearm from being able to fire.

33 (iii) "Firearm storage container" means a box, case, chest, locker, safe, or similar
34 receptacle that:

35 (A) can be locked or otherwise secured in a manner to prevent an individual from
36 accessing the contents of the container; and

37 (B) is designed to contain, or contains, a firearm.

38 (b) Terms defined in Sections 76-1-101.5 and 76-6-201 apply to this section.

39 (2) An actor commits damaging a firearm storage container or safety device in the
40 commission of a burglary if, in attempting, committing, or fleeing from a burglary, the
41 actor knowingly damages, disables, or otherwise tampers with:

42 (a) a firearm storage container; or

43 (b) a firearm safety device.

44 (3) A violation of Subsection (2) is a third degree felony.

45 Section 2. **Effective Date.**

46 This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.