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AG STRANGE REVIEWS COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATIONS OF ALABAMA GUN LAWS IN TUSCALOOSA, BIRMINGHAM AND CLAY

(MONTGOMERY) - Attorney General Luther Strange today released public statements about formal complaints received by his office concerning possible unlawful prohibitions of firearms in Tuscaloosa, Birmingham and Clay. After reviewing and investigating each complaint, where appropriate, the Attorney General's Office worked with the public entity to achieve compliance with state law.

The results of the Attorney General's investigations are summarized below, along with links to his determinations.

Tuscaloosa Public Library

The Attorney General's Office reviewed a complaint that the Tuscaloosa Public Library failed to comply with Alabama law because it prohibited firearms. After the Attorney General communicated with the Tuscaloosa Public Library, the signs prohibiting firearms were removed. Because the signs are removed, the Attorney General has determined that no further action is required.

http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-029-Public-Statements

City of Tuscaloosa

The Attorney General's Office reviewed a complaint that the City of Tuscaloosa failed to comply with Alabama law because it tried to enforce upon Guns and Ammo LLC, a municipal business ordinance regulating second hand or used goods. After the Attorney General communicated with the City, the City justified enforcement of this law as a "law of general application" which "does not regulate firearms." The state law regulating prohibition of firearms does not prevent "the enactment or enforcement of a generally applicable zoning or business ordinance that includes firearms businesses along with other businesses." The Attorney General has determined that no further action is required.

http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-028-Public-Statements



City of Birmingham

The Attorney General's Office reviewed a complaint that the City of Birmingham failed to comply with Alabama law because it prohibited firearms at Boutwell Auditorium and Railroad Park. After the Attorney General communicated with the City, the signs prohibiting firearms were removed. Because the signs are removed, the Attorney General has determined that no further action is required.

http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-027-Public-Statements

City of Clay

The Attorney General's Office reviewed a complaint that the City of Clay failed to comply with Alabama law because it prohibited firearms at City Hall. After the Attorney General communicated with the City, the signs prohibiting firearms were removed. Because the signs are removed, the Attorney General has determined that no further action is required.

http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-026-Public-Statements

More detailed information for each of these cases and others can be found on the AG's web site:

http://www.ago.alabama.gov/Page-Firearms-Alabama-Public-Statements-13A-11-61-3