PUBLIC SAFETY

MOTION

In 2015, the City Council adopted a safe storage ordinance requiring residents of the City of Los Angeles to store their handguns in a locked container or disabled with a trigger lock. Since the City's ordinance went into effect, the City Attorney has prosecuted several individuals for unsafely storing their handguns.

In one such recent case, Los Angeles School Police received a tip that a student had threatened to bring a weapon to school and shoot a classmate. After a search of the student's home, officers retrieved two handguns and one rifle. While the City Attorney has brought charges against the parent for the handguns under the safe storage ordinance, there are no repercussions for the rifle that was unsafely stored because the City's ordinance is specific to handguns.

An ordinance requiring that all firearms be properly secured by a locked container or a trigger lock when not in use will reduce the risk of injuries, suicides and violent crimes, especially those involving children.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending the City's safe storage ordinance to include all firearms.

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