1	HOUSE BILL 658
2	48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007
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10	AN ACT
11	RELATING TO FIREARMS; PROHIBITING POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY AN
12	ALIEN NOT LEGALLY PRESENT IN THE UNITED STATES.
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14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
15	Section 1. Section 30-7-16 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1981,
16	Chapter 225, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:
17	"30-7-16. FIREARMS OR DESTRUCTIVE DEVICESRECEIPT,
18	TRANSPORTATION OR POSSESSION BY A FELONPENALTY
19	A. It is unlawful for a felon <u>or an illegal alien</u>
20	to receive, transport or possess any firearm or destructive
21	device in this state.
22	B. Any person violating the provisions of this
23	section shall be guilty of a fourth degree felony and shall be
24	sentenced in accordance with the provisions of the Criminal
25	Sentencing Act.
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1 C. As used in this section: 2 (1)"destructive device" means: 3 any explosive, incendiary or poison (a) 4 1) bomb; 2) grenade; 3) rocket having a propellant charge gas: 5 of more than four ounces; 4) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-fourth ounce; 5) mine; or 6) 6 7 similar device; 8 (b) any type of weapon by whatever name 9 known that will, or that may be readily converted to, expel a 10 projectile by the action of an explosive or other propellant, 11 the barrel or barrels of which have a bore of more than one-12 half inch in diameter, except a shotgun or shotgun shell that 13 is generally recognized as particularly suitable for sporting 14 purposes; and 15 (c) any combination of parts either 16 designed or intended for use in converting any device into a 17 destructive device as defined in this paragraph and from which 18 a destructive device may be readily assembled. 19 The term "destructive device" does not include any device 20 that is neither designed nor redesigned for use as a weapon or 21 any device, although originally designed for use as a weapon, 22 that is redesigned for use as a signaling, pyrotechnic, line 23 throwing, safety or similar device; 24 "felon" means a person convicted of a (2) 25 felony offense by a court of the United States or of any state .165716.1

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1	or political subdivision thereof and:
2	(a) less than ten years have passed
3	since the person completed serving [his] <u>a</u> sentence or period
4	of probation for the felony conviction, whichever is later;
5	(b) the person has not been pardoned for
6	the felony conviction by the proper authority; and
7	(c) the person has not received a
8	deferred sentence; [and]
9	(3) "firearm" means any weapon that will or is
10	designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile
11	by the action of an explosion; the frame or receiver of any
12	such weapon; or any firearm muffler or firearm silencer.
13	"Firearm" includes any handgun, rifle or shotgun; <u>and</u>
14	(4) "illegal alien" means a person not legally
15	present in the United States at the time of the possession at
16	<u>issue</u> ."
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