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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 105

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**"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF ELECTRONIC DEFENSE WEAPONS."**

1 In line 15, strike "or"

2 In line 16, after "officer" insert ", or (6) any person who holds a valid  
3 permit to carry a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to subsection (b) of  
4 section 29-28 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes to which  
5 has been added an endorsement by the Department of Public Safety as  
6 provided in section 501 of this act authorizing the holder thereof to  
7 carry an electronic defense weapon"

8 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
9 internal references accordingly:

10 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) Any person who holds a  
11 valid permit to carry a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to subsection  
12 (b) of section 29-28 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes may

13 carry an electronic defense weapon, as defined in section 53a-3 of the  
14 general statutes, pursuant to such permit if such person successfully  
15 completes a course approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety in  
16 the safety and use of electronic defense weapons. Upon completion of  
17 such course by such person, the Department of Public Safety shall add  
18 an endorsement to such permit that indicates that the holder thereof is  
19 also authorized to carry an electronic defense weapon.

20 Sec. 502. Section 29-38 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
21 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

22 (a) Any person who knowingly has, in any vehicle owned, operated  
23 or occupied by such person, any weapon, any pistol or revolver for  
24 which a proper permit has not been issued as provided in section 29-  
25 28, as amended, or any machine gun which has not been registered as  
26 required by section 53-202, shall be fined not more than one thousand  
27 dollars or imprisoned not more than five years or both, and the  
28 presence of any such weapon, pistol or revolver, or machine gun in  
29 any vehicle shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section  
30 by the owner, operator and each occupant thereof. The word  
31 "weapon", as used in this section, means any BB. gun, any blackjack,  
32 any metal or brass knuckles, any police baton or nightstick, any dirk  
33 knife or switch knife, any knife having an automatic spring release  
34 device by which a blade is released from the handle, having a blade of  
35 over one and one-half inches in length, any stiletto, any knife the  
36 edged portion of the blade of which is four inches or over in length,  
37 any martial arts weapon or electronic defense weapon, as defined in  
38 section 53a-3, or any other dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument.

39 (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to: (1) Any officer  
40 charged with the preservation of the public peace while engaged in the  
41 pursuit of such officer's official duties; (2) any security guard having a  
42 baton or nightstick in a vehicle while engaged in the pursuit of such  
43 guard's official duties; (3) any person enrolled in and currently  
44 attending a martial arts school, with official verification of such  
45 enrollment and attendance, or any certified martial arts instructor,

46 having any such martial arts weapon in a vehicle while traveling to or  
47 from such school or to or from an authorized event or competition; (4)  
48 any person having a BB. gun in a vehicle provided such weapon is  
49 unloaded and stored in the trunk of such vehicle or in a locked  
50 container other than the glove compartment or console; [and] (5) any  
51 person having a knife, the edged portion of the blade of which is four  
52 inches or over in length, in a vehicle if such person is (A) any member  
53 of the armed forces of the United States, as defined in section 27-103, or  
54 any reserve component thereof, or of the armed forces of this state, as  
55 defined in section 27-2, when on duty or going to or from duty, (B) any  
56 member of any military organization when on parade or when going  
57 to or from any place of assembly, (C) any person while transporting  
58 such knife as merchandise or for display at an authorized gun or knife  
59 show, (D) any person while lawfully removing such person's  
60 household goods or effects from one place to another, or from one  
61 residence to another, (E) any person while actually and peaceably  
62 engaged in carrying any such knife from such person's place of abode  
63 or business to a place or person where or by whom such knife is to be  
64 repaired, or while actually and peaceably returning to such person's  
65 place of abode or business with such knife after the same has been  
66 repaired, (F) any person holding a valid hunting, fishing or trapping  
67 license issued pursuant to chapter 490 or any salt water fisherman  
68 while having such knife in a vehicle for lawful hunting, fishing or  
69 trapping activities, or (G) any person participating in an authorized  
70 historic reenactment; and (6) any person having an electronic defense  
71 weapon in a vehicle who holds a valid permit to carry a pistol or  
72 revolver issued pursuant to subsection (b) of section 29-28 of the 2006  
73 supplement to the general statutes to which has been added an  
74 endorsement by the Department of Public Safety as provided in section  
75 501 of this act authorizing the holder thereof to carry an electronic  
76 defense weapon.

77 Sec. 503. Section 53-206 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
78 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

79 (a) Any person who carries upon his or her person any BB. gun,

80 blackjack, metal or brass knuckles, or any dirk knife, or any switch  
81 knife, or any knife having an automatic spring release device by which  
82 a blade is released from the handle, having a blade of over one and  
83 one-half inches in length, or stiletto, or any knife the edged portion of  
84 the blade of which is four inches or over in length, any police baton or  
85 nightstick, or any martial arts weapon or electronic defense weapon, as  
86 defined in section 53a-3, or any other dangerous or deadly weapon or  
87 instrument, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars or  
88 imprisoned not more than three years or both. Whenever any person is  
89 found guilty of a violation of this section, any weapon or other  
90 instrument within the provisions of this section, found upon the body  
91 of such person, shall be forfeited to the municipality wherein such  
92 person was apprehended, notwithstanding any failure of the judgment  
93 of conviction to expressly impose such forfeiture.

94 (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to (1) any officer  
95 charged with the preservation of the public peace while engaged in the  
96 pursuit of such officer's official duties; (2) the carrying of a baton or  
97 nightstick by a security guard while engaged in the pursuit of such  
98 guard's official duties; (3) the carrying of a knife, the edged portion of  
99 the blade of which is four inches or over in length, by (A) any member  
100 of the armed forces of the United States, as defined in section 27-103, or  
101 any reserve component thereof, or of the armed forces of this state, as  
102 defined in section 27-2, when on duty or going to or from duty, (B) any  
103 member of any military organization when on parade or when going  
104 to or from any place of assembly, (C) any person while transporting  
105 such knife as merchandise or for display at an authorized gun or knife  
106 show, (D) any person who is found with any such knife concealed  
107 upon one's person while lawfully removing such person's household  
108 goods or effects from one place to another, or from one residence to  
109 another, (E) any person while actually and peaceably engaged in  
110 carrying any such knife from such person's place of abode or business  
111 to a place or person where or by whom such knife is to be repaired, or  
112 while actually and peaceably returning to such person's place of abode  
113 or business with such knife after the same has been repaired, (F) any

114 person holding a valid hunting, fishing or trapping license issued  
115 pursuant to chapter 490 or any salt water fisherman carrying such  
116 knife for lawful hunting, fishing or trapping activities, or (G) any  
117 person while participating in an authorized historic reenactment; (4)  
118 the carrying by any person enrolled in or currently attending, or an  
119 instructor at, a martial arts school of a martial arts weapon while in a  
120 class or at an authorized event or competition or while transporting  
121 such weapon to or from such class, event or competition; (5) the  
122 carrying of a BB. gun by any person taking part in a supervised event  
123 or competition of the Boy Scouts of America or the Girl Scouts of  
124 America or in any other authorized event or competition while taking  
125 part in such event or competition or while transporting such weapon  
126 to or from such event or competition; [and] (6) the carrying of a BB.  
127 gun by any person upon such person's own property or the property  
128 of another person provided such other person has authorized the  
129 carrying of such weapon on such property, and the transporting of  
130 such weapon to or from such property; and (7) the carrying of an  
131 electronic defense weapon by a person holding a valid permit to carry  
132 a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to subsection (b) of section 29-28 of  
133 the 2006 supplement to the general statutes to which has been added  
134 an endorsement by the Department of Public Safety as provided in  
135 section 501 of this act authorizing the holder thereof to carry an  
136 electronic defense weapon."