



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5542

February Session, 2018



**AN ACT CONCERNING BUMP STOCKS AND OTHER MEANS OF
ENHANCING THE RATE OF FIRE OF A FIREARM.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2018*) (a) Except as provided in
2 subsection (e) of this section, no person may sell, offer to sell,
3 otherwise transfer or offer to transfer, purchase, possess, use or
4 manufacture any rate of fire enhancement.

5 (b) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, a person
6 who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this section shall be
7 guilty of a class D felony.

8 (c) For purposes of this section, "firearm" means firearm as defined
9 in section 53a-3 of the general statutes, and "rate of fire enhancement"
10 means any device, component, part, combination of parts, attachment
11 or accessory that: (1) Uses energy from the recoil of a firearm to
12 generate a reciprocating action that facilitates repeated function of the
13 trigger, including, but not limited to, a bump stock; (2) repeatedly
14 pulls the trigger of a firearm through the use of a crank, lever or other
15 part, including, but not limited to, a trigger crank; or (3) causes a
16 semiautomatic firearm to fire more than one round per operation of
17 the trigger, where the trigger pull and reset constitute a single
18 operation of the trigger, including, but not limited to, a binary trigger

19 system.

20 (d) Any person who holds a valid permit to carry a pistol or
21 revolver issued pursuant to subsection (b) of section 29-28 of the
22 general statutes, a valid eligibility certificate for a pistol or revolver
23 issued pursuant to section 29-36f of the general statutes or a valid long
24 gun eligibility certificate issued pursuant to section 29-37p of the
25 general statutes and possesses a rate of fire enhancement prior to July
26 1, 2019, shall be guilty of a class D misdemeanor for a first offense and
27 shall be guilty of a class D felony for any subsequent offense.

28 (e) Any person who moves into the state in lawful possession of a
29 rate of fire enhancement, shall, within ninety days, render the rate of
30 fire enhancement permanently inoperable, remove the rate of fire
31 enhancement from this state, or surrender the rate of fire enhancement
32 to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for
33 destruction.

34 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than thirty days
35 after the effective date of this section, the Commissioner of Emergency
36 Services and Public Protection shall, within available appropriations,
37 provide written notification of the provisions of section 1 of this act by:
38 (1) Posting the notification on the department's Internet web site, and
39 (2) providing the notification electronically to federally licensed
40 firearm dealers.

41 (b) Commencing thirty days after the effective date of this section
42 but prior to July 1, 2023, the commissioner shall include a written
43 notification of the provisions of section 1 of this act with: (1) (A) A
44 permit to carry a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to subsection (b) of
45 section 29-28 of the general statutes, (B) an eligibility certificate for a
46 pistol or revolver issued pursuant to section 29-36f of the general
47 statutes, and (C) a long gun eligibility certificate issued pursuant to
48 section 29-37p of the general statutes; and (2) a notice of expiration
49 mailed to a holder of such permit or certificate pursuant to (A)
50 subsection (f) of section 29-30 of the general statutes, (B) subsection (e)

51 of section 29-36h of the general statutes, or (C) subsection (e) of section
52 29-37r of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 1(a), the exception language, as it pertains to subsection (d), was moved to Section 1(b) for accuracy.

JUD *Joint Favorable Subst.*