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

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2018*) (a) Except as provided in  
4 subsection (e) of this section, no person, other than a licensed firearms  
5 manufacturer under 18 USC 923(i) fulfilling a military contract, may  
6 sell, offer to sell, otherwise transfer or offer to transfer, purchase,  
7 possess, use or manufacture any rate of fire enhancement.

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

11 (c) For purposes of this section, "firearm" means firearm as defined  
12 in section 53a-3 of the general statutes, and "rate of fire enhancement"  
13 means any device, component, part, combination of parts, attachment

14 or accessory that: (1) Uses energy from the recoil of a firearm to  
15 generate a reciprocating action that causes repeated function of the  
16 trigger, including, but not limited to, a bump stock; (2) repeatedly  
17 pulls the trigger of a firearm through the use of a crank, lever or other  
18 part, including, but not limited to, a trigger crank; or (3) causes a  
19 semiautomatic firearm to fire more than one round per function of the  
20 trigger, where the trigger pull and reset constitute a single function of  
21 the trigger, including, but not limited to, a binary trigger system.

22 (d) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, any person  
23 who holds a valid permit to carry a pistol or revolver issued pursuant  
24 to subsection (b) of section 29-28 of the general statutes, a valid  
25 eligibility certificate for a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to section  
26 29-36f of the general statutes, a valid long gun eligibility certificate  
27 issued pursuant to section 29-37p of the general statutes or an  
28 ammunition certificate issued or renewed pursuant to section 29-38n  
29 or section 29-38o of the general statutes and possesses a rate of fire  
30 enhancement prior to July 1, 2019, shall be guilty of a class D  
31 misdemeanor for a first offense and shall be guilty of a class D felony  
32 for any subsequent offense.

33 (e) (1) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this  
34 subdivision, any person who moves into the state in lawful possession  
35 of a rate of fire enhancement shall, within ninety days, render the rate  
36 of fire enhancement permanently inoperable, remove the rate of fire  
37 enhancement from this state, or surrender the rate of fire enhancement  
38 to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for  
39 destruction and during such ninety-day period, shall not be subject to  
40 the penalties in subsection (b) or (d) of this section.

41 (B) Any such person who sells or offers to sell or otherwise transfers  
42 or offers to transfer, except as permitted by subparagraph (A) of this  
43 subdivision, or uses such rate of fire enhancement during such ninety-  
44 day period, shall be subject to the penalties in subsection (b) or (d) of  
45 this section, as applicable.

46 (2) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision,  
47 any military personnel stationed or otherwise residing in this state  
48 who is deployed from this state on October 1, 2018, or is under  
49 deployment from this state on said date, and who was in lawful  
50 possession of a rate of firearm enhancement on September 30, 2018,  
51 shall, within ninety days of returning to this state from deployment,  
52 render the rate of fire enhancement permanently inoperable, remove  
53 the rate of fire enhancement from this state or surrender the rate of fire  
54 enhancement to the Department of Emergency Services and Public  
55 Protection for destruction.

56 (B) Except as provided in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, any  
57 such military personnel who sells or offers to sell or otherwise  
58 transfers or offers to transfer, except as permitted by subparagraph (A)  
59 of this subdivision, or uses such rate of fire enhancement during such  
60 ninety-day period, shall be subject to the penalties in subsection (b) or  
61 (d) of this section, as applicable.

62 (f) If the court finds that a violation of this section is not of a serious  
63 nature and that the person charged with such violation (1) will  
64 probably not offend in the future, (2) has not previously been  
65 convicted of a violation of this section, and (3) has not previously had a  
66 prosecution under this section suspended pursuant to this subsection,  
67 it may order suspension of prosecution in accordance with the  
68 provisions of subsection (h) of section 29-33 of the general statutes.

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

76 (b) Commencing thirty days after the effective date of this section  
77 but prior to July 1, 2023, the commissioner shall include a written

78 notification of the provisions of section 1 of this act with: (1) (A) A  
 79 permit to carry a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to subsection (b) of  
 80 section 29-28 of the general statutes, (B) an eligibility certificate for a  
 81 pistol or revolver issued pursuant to section 29-36f of the general  
 82 statutes, (C) a long gun eligibility certificate issued pursuant to section  
 83 29-37p of the general statutes, and (D) an ammunition certificate issued  
 84 or renewed pursuant to section 29-38n or section 29-38o of the general  
 85 statutes; and (2) a notice of expiration mailed to a holder of such  
 86 permit or certificate pursuant to (A) subsection (f) of section 29-30 of  
 87 the general statutes, (B) subsection (e) of section 29-36h of the general  
 88 statutes, or (C) subsection (e) of section 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