

103<sup>D</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1421

To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation and the manufacture of firearms designed to accept a silencer, bayonet, grenade launcher, flash suppressor, or folding stock, of certain ammunition feeding devices, and of related devices, and to provide for the imposition of enhanced penalties for the possession or the use of any such item in a crime of violence or in a drug trafficking crime.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 18, 1993

Mr. STARK (for himself, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BACCHUS of Florida, Mr. BEILENSON, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BORSKI, Mrs. BYRNE, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DE LUGO, Mr. DERRICK, Mr. EDWARDS of California, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. FOGLIETTA, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HOCHBRUECKNER, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. MAZZOLI, Mr. MILLER of California, Mrs. MORELLA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SABO, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. STUDDS, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. YATES, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. WHEAT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Assault Weapon Act  
5 of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST THE IMPORTATION AND**  
7 **THE MANUFACTURE OF ASSAULT WEAPONS**  
8 **AND RELATED DEVICES.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 922 of title 18, United  
10 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-  
11 ing:

12 “(s) It shall be unlawful for any person to import or  
13 manufacture—

14 “(1) a firearm having threading, lugs, or other  
15 characteristics which are designed to facilitate the  
16 direct attachment of a silencer, bayonet, grenade  
17 launcher, flash suppressor, or folding stock to the  
18 firearm;

19 “(2) any part or combination of parts designed  
20 to facilitate the attachment of a bayonet, silencer,  
21 grenade launcher, flash suppressor, or folding stock  
22 to a firearm;

23 “(3) a shotgun with a fixed magazine which is  
24 capable of holding 7 or more rounds of ammunition;

1           “(4) a detachable magazine, drum, belt, feed  
2 strip, or similar device which has a capacity of, or  
3 can be readily restored or converted to accept, 10 or  
4 more rounds of ammunition;

5           “(5) any combination of parts—

6                 “(A) designed and intended solely and ex-  
7 clusively for assembling a device described in  
8 paragraph (4); and

9                 “(B) from which a device described in  
10 paragraph (4) could be assembled if such parts  
11 were possessed or controlled by 1 person; or

12           “(6) any part specifically designed for use in  
13 assembling a device described in paragraph (4).”.

14           (b) PENALTY.—Section 924(a) of such title is amend-  
15 ed by adding at the end the following:

16           “(5) Whoever knowingly violates section 922(s) shall  
17 be fined not more than \$10,000, imprisoned not more  
18 than 10 years, or both.”.

19 **SEC. 3. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR THE POSSESSION OR**  
20 **THE USE OF AN ASSAULT WEAPON OR A RE-**  
21 **LATED DEVICE IN A CRIME OF VIOLENCE OR**  
22 **IN A DRUG TRAFFICKING CRIME.**

23           Section 924(c) of title 18, United States Code, is  
24 amended—

1           (1) in the second sentence of paragraph (1), by  
2 striking “subsection” and inserting “paragraph”;  
3 and

4           (2) by adding at the end the following:

5           “(4) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this sub-  
6 section shall apply in like manner to whomever, in the cir-  
7 cumstances described in such paragraph (1), uses or car-  
8 ries an item described in section 922(s), except that—

9           “(A) in the case of the first conviction of a per-  
10 son under this paragraph, such person shall be sen-  
11 tenced to imprisonment for ten years; and

12           “(B) in the case of the second or subsequent  
13 conviction of such person under this paragraph, such  
14 person shall be sentenced to imprisonment for thirty  
15 years.”.

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