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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING PROHIBITIONS ON CERTAIN FIREARMS USED IN PUBLIC  
102 MASS SHOOTINGS.

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Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill defines the term "assault weapon" and prohibits a person from manufacturing, importing, purchasing, selling, offering to sell, or transferring ownership of an assault weapon. The bill further prohibits a person from possessing a rapid-fire trigger activator. A person in violation of the prohibitions will be assessed a first-time penalty of \$250,000 and \$500,000 for each subsequent violation.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
*Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

The prohibition does not apply to:

- A member of the United States armed forces, a peace officer, or other government officer or agent, to the extent that the person is otherwise authorized to acquire or possess an assault weapon and does so while acting within the scope of the person's duties;
- The manufacture, sale, or transfer of an assault weapon by a licensed firearms manufacturer to any branch of the United States armed forces, or to an entity that employs peace officers, for use by that entity or its employees;
- The transfer of an assault weapon to a licensed firearms dealer or gunsmith for the purposes of maintenance, repair, or modification, and the subsequent return of the assault weapon to the lawful owner;
- Any federal, state, or local historical society, museum, or institutional collection that is open to the public, provided that the assault weapon is securely housed and unloaded;
- A forensic laboratory, or any authorized agent or employee of the laboratory, for use exclusively in the course and scope of authorized activities;
- An entity that operates an armored vehicle business and an authorized employee of the entity while in the course and scope of employment;
- A licensed gun dealer who has remaining inventory of assault weapons as of August 1, 2024, and sells or transfers the remaining inventory only to a non-Colorado resident and the sale or transfer takes place out of state; or
- A peace officer.

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1     *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2             **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 6 to article  
3 12 of title 18 as follows:

4   PART 6

5   ASSAULT WEAPONS

6             **18-12-601. Legislative declaration.** (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
7 FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

8             (a) MASS SHOOTINGS ARE A SIGNIFICANT COMPONENT OF THE  
9 DISTINCTLY AMERICAN EPIDEMIC OF GUN VIOLENCE. GUN VIOLENCE OF

1 ALL TYPES ARE AN ONGOING AND GROWING THREAT TO THE PUBLIC  
2 HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL COLORADANS.

3 (b) AS PREVENTABLE GUN DEATH FROM ALL TYPES CONTINUE TO  
4 DEVASTATE FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES, IN THE FORM OF STATE  
5 VIOLENCE, COMPLETED SUICIDES, INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE, AND  
6 ACCIDENTAL DEATHS, ASSAULT WEAPONS REMAIN A PREEMINENT FACTOR  
7 IN THE DEVASTATING CRISIS OF GUN FATALITIES;

8 (c) IN RECENT YEARS, AMERICANS HAVE ENDURED AN  
9 UNFATHOMABLE AVERAGE OF MORE THAN ONE MASS SHOOTING PER DAY.  
10 CONSISTENTLY, THE DEADLIEST MASS SHOOTING INCIDENTS IN THE  
11 UNITED STATES INVOLVED THE USE OF ASSAULT WEAPONS OR  
12 HIGH-CAPACITY MAGAZINES. SUCH INSTRUMENTS HAVE NO PLACE IN A  
13 CIVILIZED SOCIETY.

14 (d) EVEN AS COLORADO HAS UNDERTAKEN CONCERTED COMMON  
15 SENSE EFFORTS TO DECREASE GUN VIOLENCE, COLORADO HAS STILL BEEN  
16 THE LOCATION OF SEVERAL MASS SHOOTINGS PERPETRATED WITH AN  
17 ASSAULT WEAPON;

18 (e) WELL-KNOWN PLACES THAT SHOULD HAVE ONLY EVER BEEN  
19 KNOWN AS SITES SAFE FOR JOY, LEARNING, COMMERCE, AND CARE ARE  
20 INSTEAD FOREVER ASSOCIATED WITH TRAGEDY OF MASS SHOOTINGS  
21 PERPETRATED BY WEAPONS WHICH SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE  
22 FOR USE;

23 (f) COLORADO LOCATIONS THAT BECAME HOUSEHOLD NAMES  
24 BECAUSE OF MASS SHOOTINGS INCLUDE COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL  
25 (LITTLETON); CENTURY THEATER (AURORA); KING SOOPERS (BOULDER);  
26 AND PLANNED PARENTHOOD, HALLOWEEN EVE, AND CLUB Q (ALL IN  
27 COLORADO SPRINGS);

1 (g) ASSAULT WEAPONS AND HIGH-CAPACITY MAGAZINES ARE  
2 DISPROPORTIONATELY USED IN PUBLIC MASS SHOOTINGS, AND THE  
3 REASONS ARE BOTH OBVIOUS AND IRREFUTABLE. ASSAULT WEAPONS ARE  
4 UNIQUELY LETHAL BY DESIGN. THEY ENTAIL TACTICAL FEATURES  
5 DESIGNED FOR WARFARE, REFINED TO MAXIMIZE KILLING LARGE NUMBERS  
6 OF PEOPLE QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY.

7 (h) THE TACTICAL FEATURES ON ASSAULT WEAPONS ARE NOT  
8 MERELY COSMETIC, AND THEY ARE NOT MINOR. THEY DIFFERENTIATE  
9 ASSAULT WEAPONS FROM OTHER FIREARMS BY ALLOWING A SHOOTER TO  
10 BETTER CONCEAL WEAPONS, MAKE IT EASIER TO FIRE A HIGH VOLUME OF  
11 AMMUNITION IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME WHILE MAINTAINING ACCURACY,  
12 MAXIMIZING CATASTROPHIC INJURY, AND PROVIDING EASE OF USE FOR  
13 LESS THAN EXPERT USERS.

14 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS THAT:

15 (a) ASSAULT WEAPONS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR SELF DEFENSE AND  
16 ARE NOT WELL-SUITED FOR HUNTING, SPORTING, OR ANY PURPOSE OTHER  
17 THAN MASS KILLING;

18 (b) THE FIREARMS INDUSTRY HAS SPECIFICALLY MARKETED  
19 ASSAULT WEAPONS AS TACTICAL, HYPER MASCULINE, AND MILITARY  
20 STYLE IN A MANNER THAT OVERTLY APPEALS TO THE VERY PEOPLE MOST  
21 LIKELY TO ACQUIRE SUCH WEAPONS AS A MEANS TO GAIN INFAMY AS A  
22 MASS SHOOTER;

23 (c) IT IS CRITICAL TO LIMIT THE PROSPECTIVE SALE OF ASSAULT  
24 WEAPONS AND ACCESSORIES, WHILE PERMITTING EXISTING LEGAL OWNERS  
25 TO RETAIN THE ASSAULT WEAPONS THEY CURRENTLY OWN;

26 (d) JUST AS THE DESIGN OF ASSAULT WEAPONS MAXIMIZES THEIR  
27 LETHALITY, POLICY DESIGNED TO INTERRUPT THE PROLIFERATION OF

1 THESE WEAPONS HAS BEEN SHOWN TO BE JUST AS SUCCESSFUL IN  
2 DECREASING DEATHS;

3 (e) BANNING ASSAULT WEAPONS LEADS TO A DROP IN MASS  
4 SHOOTINGS AND GUN MASSACRES. IN THE TEN YEARS THAT ASSAULT  
5 WEAPONS WERE LIMITED BY A FEDERAL BAN, GUN MASSACRES DROPPED  
6 DRASTICALLY, BY AT LEAST THIRTY-SEVEN PERCENT. CONVERSELY, AFTER  
7 THE FEDERAL ASSAULT WEAPON BAN EXPIRED IN 2004, GUN MASSACRES  
8 SKYROCKETED BY APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE  
9 PERCENT.

10 (f) FEDERAL PROHIBITIONS ARE NOT ALONE IN CURTAILING MASS  
11 SHOOTINGS. INDEED, STATE PROHIBITIONS OF ASSAULT WEAPONS ARE  
12 ASSOCIATED WITH A LOWER LIKELIHOOD OF A MASS SHOOTING EVENT,  
13 LOWER LIKELIHOOD OF DEATH DUE TO A MASS SHOOTING EVENT, AND  
14 LOWER GUN DEATH RATES OVERALL.

15 (3) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DETERMINES THAT A  
16 BAN ON KNOWINGLY MANUFACTURING, IMPORTING, PURCHASING, SELLING,  
17 OFFERING TO SELL, OR TRANSFERRING OWNERSHIP OF AN ASSAULT  
18 WEAPON, CAUSING THE MANUFACTURE, IMPORTATION, PURCHASE, SALE,  
19 OFFER TO SELL, OR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF ASSAULT WEAPONS IN  
20 COLORADO IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITIZENS AND GUESTS OF  
21 OUR GREAT STATE.

22 **18-12-602. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 6, UNLESS THE  
23 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

24 (1) ".50 CALIBER RIFLE" MEANS A CENTER FIRE RIFLE CAPABLE OF  
25 FIRING A .50 CALIBER CARTRIDGE. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY  
26 ANTIQUE FIREARM, ANY SHOTGUN, INCLUDING A SHOTGUN THAT HAS A  
27 RIFLE BARREL, OR ANY MUZZLE-LOADER THAT USES BLACK POWDER FOR

1 HUNTING OR HISTORICAL REENACTMENTS.

2 (2) (a) "ASSAULT WEAPON", EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION  
3 (2)(b) OF THIS SECTION, MEANS:

4 (I) A SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLE THAT HAS THE CAPACITY TO ACCEPT  
5 A DETACHABLE MAGAZINE, OR THAT MAY BE READILY MODIFIED TO  
6 ACCEPT A DETACHABLE MAGAZINE, AND HAS ONE OR MORE OF THE  
7 FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS:

8 (A) A PISTOL GRIP OR THUMBHOLE STOCK;

9 (B) ANY FEATURE CAPABLE OF FUNCTIONING AS A PROTRUDING  
10 GRIP THAT CAN BE HELD BY THE NON-TRIGGER HAND;

11 (C) A FOLDING, TELESCOPING, OR DETACHABLE STOCK THAT IS  
12 OTHERWISE FOLDABLE OR ADJUSTABLE IN A MANNER THAT OPERATES TO  
13 REDUCE THE LENGTH, SIZE, OR ANY OTHER DIMENSION, OR OTHERWISE  
14 ENHANCES THE ABILITY TO CONCEAL THE WEAPON;

15 (D) A MUZZLE BRAKE;

16 (E) A FUNCTIONAL GRENADE LAUNCHER OR FLARE LAUNCHER;

17 (F) A SHROUD ATTACHED TO THE BARREL, OR THAT PARTIALLY OR  
18 COMPLETELY ENCIRCLES THE BARREL, ALLOWING THE BEARER TO HOLD  
19 THE FIREARM WITH THE NON-TRIGGER HAND WITHOUT BEING BURNED, BUT  
20 EXCLUDING A SLIDE THAT ENCLOSSES THE BARREL; OR

21 (G) A THREADED BARREL;

22 (II) ALL OF THE FOLLOWING RIFLES, COPIES, DUPLICATES,  
23 VARIANTS, OR ALTERED FACSIMILES WITH THE CAPABILITY OF ANY SUCH  
24 WEAPON:

25 (A) ALL AK TYPES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: AK, AK47,  
26 AK47s, AK-74, AKM, AKS, ARM, MAK90, MISR, NHM90, NHM91,  
27 SA85, SA93, VECTOR ARMS AK-47, VEPR, WASR-10, AND WUM;

1 IZHMAH SAIGA AK; MAADI AK47 AND ARM; NORINCO 56S, 56S2, 84S,  
2 AND 86S; POLY TECHNOLOGIES AK47 AND AKS; AND SKS WITH A  
3 DETACHABLE MAGAZINE;

4 (B) ALL AR TYPES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: AR-10; AR-15;  
5 ALEXANDER ARMS OVERMATCH PLUS 16; ARMALITE M15 22LR CARBINE;  
6 ARMALITE M15-T; BARRETT REC7; BERETTA AR-70; BLACK RAIN  
7 ORDNANCE RECON SCOUT; BUSHMASTER ACR; BUSHMASTER CARBON  
8 15; BUSHMASTER MOE SERIES; BUSHMASTER XM15; CHIAPPA FIREARMS  
9 MFOUR RIFLES; COLT MATCH TARGET RIFLES; CORE RIFLE SYSTEMS  
10 CORE 15 RIFLES; DANIEL DEFENSE M4A1 RIFLES; DEVIL DOG ARMS 15  
11 SERIES RIFLES; DIAMONDBACK DB15 RIFLES; DOUBLESTAR AR RIFLES;  
12 DPMS TACTICAL RIFLES; DSA INC. ZM-4 CARBINE; HECKLER & KOCH  
13 MR556; HIGH STANDARD HSA-15 RIFLES; JESSE JAMES NOMAD AR-15  
14 RIFLE; KNIGHT'S ARMAMENT SR-15; LANCER L15 RIFLES; MGI HYDRA  
15 SERIES RIFLES; MOSSBERG MMR TACTICAL RIFLES; NOREEN FIREARMS  
16 BN36 RIFLE; OLYMPIC ARMS RIFLES; POF USA P415; PRECISION  
17 FIREARMS AR RIFLES; REMINGTON R-15 RIFLES; RHINO ARMS AR RIFLES;  
18 ROCK RIVER ARMS LAR-15 OR LAR-47; SIG SAUER SIG516, M400,  
19 AND SIG716 RIFLES; SMITH & WESSON M&P15 RIFLES; STAG ARMS AR  
20 RIFLES; STURM, RUGER & Co. SR-556 AND AR-556 RIFLES; USELTON  
21 ARMS AIR-LITE M-4 RIFLES; WINDHAM WEAPONRY AR RIFLES; WMD  
22 GUNS BIG BEAST; YANKEE HILL MACHINE COMPANY, INC. YHM-15  
23 RIFLES; BARRETT M107A1; BARRETT M82A1; BERETTA CX4 STORM;  
24 CALICO LIBERTY SERIES; CETME SPORTER; DAEWOO K-1, K-2, MAX 1,  
25 MAX 2, AR 100, AND AR 110C; FABRIQUE NATIONALE OR FN HERSTAL  
26 FAL, LAR, FNC, 308 MATCH, L1A1 SPORTER, PS90, SCAR, AND  
27 FS2000; FEATHER INDUSTRIES AT-9; GALIL AR AND ARM; HI-POINT

1 CARBINE; HK-91, HK-93, HK-94, HK-PSG1, AND HK USC; IWI TAVOR  
2 AND GALIL ACE RIFLE; KELTEC SUB-2000, SU-16, RFB, AND RDB; SIG  
3 AMT, SIG PE-57, SIG SAUER SG 550, SIG SAUER SG 551, AND SIG  
4 MCX; SPRINGFIELD ARMORY SAR-48; STEYR AUG; STURM, RUGER &  
5 Co. MINI-14 TACTICAL RIFLE M-14/20CF;

6 (C) ALL THOMPSON RIFLES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:  
7 THOMPSON M1SB, THOMPSON T1100D, THOMPSON T150D, THOMPSON  
8 T1B, THOMPSON T1B100D, THOMPSON T1B50D, THOMPSON T1BSB,  
9 THOMPSON T1-C, THOMPSON T1D, THOMPSON T1SB, THOMPSON T5,  
10 THOMPSON T5100D, THOMPSON TM1, AND THOMPSON TM1C; AND

11 (D) OTHER RIFLE MODELS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE  
12 FOLLOWING: UMAREX UZI RIFLE; UZI MINI CARBINE, UZI MODEL A  
13 CARBINE, AND UZI MODEL B CARBINE; VALMET M62S, M71S, AND M78;  
14 VECTOR ARMS UZI TYPE; WEAVER ARMS NIGHTHAWK; WILKINSON ARMS  
15 LINDA CARBINE; AND CZ SCORPION RIFLE AND CZ BREN RIFLE;

16 (III) A SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLE THAT HAS A FIXED LARGE-CAPACITY  
17 MAGAZINE, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 18-12-302;

18 (IV) A .50 CALIBER RIFLE;

19 (V) A SEMIAUTOMATIC PISTOL THAT HAS THE CAPACITY TO  
20 ACCEPT A DETACHABLE MAGAZINE, OR THAT MAY BE READILY MODIFIED  
21 TO ACCEPT A DETACHABLE MAGAZINE, IF THE SEMIAUTOMATIC PISTOL HAS  
22 ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FEATURES:

23 (A) A THREADED BARREL;

24 (B) A SECOND PISTOL GRIP OR ADDITIONAL FEATURE CAPABLE OF  
25 FUNCTIONING AS A PROTRUDING GRIP THAT CAN BE HELD BY THE  
26 NON-TRIGGER HAND;

27 (C) A SHROUD THAT IS ATTACHED TO THE BARREL, OR THAT



1 PARTIALLY OR COMPLETELY ENCIRCLES THE BARREL, ALLOWING THE  
2 BEARER TO HOLD THE FIREARM WITH THE NON-TRIGGER HAND WITHOUT  
3 BEING BURNED, BUT EXCLUDING A SLIDE THAT ENCLOSES THE BARREL;

4 (D) A MUZZLE BRAKE;

5 (E) THE CAPACITY TO ACCEPT A DETACHABLE  
6 AMMUNITION-FEEDING DEVICE AT SOME LOCATION OUTSIDE OF THE PISTOL  
7 GRIP; OR

8 (F) A BUFFER TUBE, ARMBRACE, OR OTHER PART THAT PROTRUDES  
9 HORIZONTALLY BEHIND THE PISTOL GRIP;

10 (VI) ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PISTOLS, COPIES, DUPLICATES,  
11 VARIANTS, OR ALTERED FACSIMILES WITH THE CAPABILITY OF THE  
12 FOLLOWING PISTOLS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

13 (A) ALL AK TYPES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: CENTURION 39  
14 AK PISTOL, CZ SCORPION PISTOL, DRACO AK-47 PISTOL, HCR AK-47  
15 PISTOL, IO INC. HELLPUP AK-47 PISTOL, KRINKOV PISTOL, MINI DRACO  
16 AK-47 PISTOL, PAP M92 PISTOL, AND YUGO KREBS KRINK PISTOL;

17 (B) ALL AR TYPES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: AMERICAN SPIRIT  
18 AR-15 PISTOL; BUSHMASTER CARBON 15 PISTOL; CHIAPPA FIREARMS M4  
19 PISTOL GEN II; CORE RIFLE SYSTEMS ROSCOE PISTOL; DANIEL DEFENSE  
20 MK18 PISTOL; DOUBLESTAR CORPORATION AR PISTOL; DPMS AR-15  
21 PISTOL; JESSE JAMES NOMAD AR-15 PISTOL; OLYMPIC ARMS AR-15  
22 PISTOL; POF USA AR PISTOLS; ROCK RIVER ARMS LAR 15 PISTOL; AND  
23 USELTON ARMS AIR LITE M-4 PISTOL;

24 (C) OTHER PISTOL MODELS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,  
25 CALICO PISTOLS; DSA SA58 PKP FAL PISTOL; ENCOM MP-9 AND MP-45;  
26 HECKLER & KOCH SP-89 PISTOL; INTRATEC AB-10, TEC-22 SCORPION,  
27 TEC-9, AND TEC-DC9; IWI GALIL ACE PISTOL AND UZI PRO PISTOL;

1 KELTEC PLR 16 PISTOL; SIG SAUER P556 PISTOL; AND SITES SPECTRE;

2 (D) ALL THOMPSON TYPES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,  
3 THOMPSON TA5160D AND THOMPSON TA5;

4 (E) ALL MAC TYPES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: MAC-10,  
5 MAC-11; MASTERPIECE ARMS MPA A930 MINIPISTOL, MPA460 PISTOL,  
6 MPA TACTICAL PISTOL, AND MPA MINI TACTICAL PISTOL; MILITARY  
7 ARMAMENT CORP. INGRAM M-11; AND VELOCITY FIREARMS VMAC; AND

8 (F) ALL UZI-TYPES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MICRO-UZI;

9 (VII) A SEMIAUTOMATIC PISTOL THAT HAS A FIXED  
10 LARGE-CAPACITY MAGAZINE, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 18-12-302;

11 (VIII) A SHOTGUN WITH A REVOLVING CYLINDER;

12 (IX) A SEMIAUTOMATIC SHOTGUN THAT HAS ONE OR MORE OF THE  
13 FOLLOWING FEATURES:

14 (A) A PISTOL GRIP;

15 (B) ANY FEATURE CAPABLE OF FUNCTIONING AS A PROTRUDING  
16 GRIP THAT CAN BE HELD BY THE NON-TRIGGER HAND;

17 (C) A FOLDING, TELESCOPING, OR THUMBHOLE STOCK;

18 (D) A FUNCTIONAL GRENADE LAUNCHER OR FLARE LAUNCHER;

19 (E) A FIXED LARGE-CAPACITY MAGAZINE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION  
20 18-12-301; OR

21 (F) THE CAPACITY TO ACCEPT A DETACHABLE MAGAZINE;

22 (X) ALL OF THE FOLLOWING SHOTGUNS, COPIES, DUPLICATES,  
23 VARIANTS, OR ALTERED FACSIMILES WITH THE CAPABILITY OF THE  
24 FOLLOWING SHOTGUNS:

25 (A) DERYA MK-12; DORUK LETHAL SHOTGUNS; FRANCHI  
26 LAW-12 AND SPAS-12; STREET SWEEPER; AND STRIKER 12; OR

27 (B) ALL IZHMAH SAIGA 12 TYPES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED

1 TO, THE FOLLOWING: IZHMASH SAIGA 12; IZHMASH SAIGA 12S; IZHMASH  
2 SAIGA 12S EXP-01; IZHMASH SAIGA 12K; IZHMASH SAIGA 12K-030; AND  
3 IZHMASH SAIGA 12K-040 TAKTIKA;

4 (XI) A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM THAT HAS THE CAPACITY TO  
5 ACCEPT A BELT AMMUNITION FEEDING DEVICE;

6 (XII) A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM THAT HAS BEEN MODIFIED TO BE  
7 OPERABLE AS AN ASSAULT WEAPON AS DEFINED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2);  
8 OR

9 (XIII) ANY PART OR COMBINATION OF PARTS DESIGNED OR  
10 INTENDED TO CONVERT A FIREARM INTO AN ASSAULT WEAPON AS DEFINED  
11 IN THIS SUBSECTION (2).

12 (b) "ASSAULT WEAPON" DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY FIREARM THAT  
13 HAS BEEN MADE PERMANENTLY INOPERABLE; AN ANTIQUE FIREARM  
14 MANUFACTURED BEFORE 1899; A REPLICA OF AN ANTIQUE FIREARM; A  
15 FIREARM THAT IS MANUALLY OPERATED BY BOLT, PUMP, LEVER, SLIDE  
16 ACTION, UNLESS THE FIREARM IS A SHOTGUN WITH A REVOLVING  
17 CYLINDER; OR A FIREARM THAT CAN ONLY FIRE RIMFIRE AMMUNITION.

18 (3) "DETACHABLE MAGAZINE" MEANS AN AMMUNITION-FEEDING  
19 DEVICE THAT MAY BE REMOVED FROM A FIREARM WITHOUT DISASSEMBLY  
20 OF THE FIREARM ACTION, INCLUDING AN AMMUNITION-FEEDING DEVICE  
21 THAT MAY BE READILY REMOVED FROM A FIREARM WITH THE USE OF A  
22 BULLET, CARTRIDGE, ACCESSORY, OR OTHER TOOL, OR ANY OTHER OBJECT  
23 THAT FUNCTIONS AS A TOOL.

24 (4) "FIREARM" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION  
25 18-1-901.

26 (5) "FIXED MAGAZINE" MEANS AN AMMUNITION-FEEDING DEVICE  
27 THAT IS PERMANENTLY ATTACHED TO A FIREARM, OR CONTAINED IN AND

1 NOT REMOVABLE FROM A FIREARM, OR THAT IS OTHERWISE NOT A  
2 DETACHABLE MAGAZINE. "FIXED MAGAZINE" DOES NOT INCLUDE AN  
3 ATTACHED TUBULAR DEVICE DESIGNED TO ACCEPT, AND CAPABLE OF  
4 OPERATING ONLY WITH, .22 CALIBER RIMFIRE AMMUNITION.

5 (6) "GUN SHOW VENDOR" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO EXHIBITS,  
6 SELLS, OFFERS FOR SALE, TRANSFERS, OR EXCHANGES ANY FIREARM,  
7 INCLUDING AN ASSAULT WEAPON, AT A GUN SHOW, REGARDLESS OF  
8 WHETHER THE PERSON ARRANGES WITH A GUN SHOW PROMOTER FOR A  
9 FIXED LOCATION FROM WHICH TO EXHIBIT, SELL, OFFER FOR SALE,  
10 TRANSFER, OR EXCHANGE ANY FIREARM, INCLUDING AN ASSAULT WEAPON.

11 (7) "LICENSED GUN DEALER" OR "LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER"  
12 MEANS ANY PERSON WHO IS A LICENSED IMPORTER, LICENSED  
13 MANUFACTURER, OR DEALER WHO IS LICENSED PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C.  
14 SEC. 923, AS AMENDED, AS A FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER.

15 (8) "PEACE OFFICER" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN  
16 SECTION 16-2.5-101.

17 (9) "RAPID-FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATOR" MEANS:

18 (a) ANY MANUAL, POWER-DRIVEN, OR ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT  
19 IS DESIGNED AND FUNCTIONS TO INCREASE THE RATE OF FIRE OF A  
20 SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM WHEN THE DEVICE IS ATTACHED TO THE  
21 FIREARM;

22 (b) ANY PART OF A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM OR COMBINATION OF  
23 PARTS THAT IS DESIGNED AND FUNCTIONS TO INCREASE THE RATE OF FIRE  
24 OF A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM BY ELIMINATING THE NEED FOR THE  
25 OPERATOR OF THE FIREARM TO MAKE A SEPARATE MOVEMENT FOR EACH  
26 INDIVIDUAL FUNCTION OF THE TRIGGER; OR

27 (c) ANY OTHER DEVICE, PART, OR COMBINATION OF PARTS THAT IS

1 DESIGNED AND FUNCTIONS TO SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE THE RATE OF  
2 FIRE OF A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM ABOVE THE STANDARD RATE OF FIRE  
3 FOR A SEMIAUTOMATIC FIREARM THAT IS NOT EQUIPPED WITH THAT  
4 DEVICE, PART, OR COMBINATION OF PARTS.

5 **18-12-603. Manufacture, import, purchase, sale, offer to sell,**  
6 **and transfer of ownership of assault weapons prohibited -**  
7 **exemptions - penalties.** (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN  
8 SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON SHALL NOT KNOWINGLY  
9 MANUFACTURE, IMPORT, PURCHASE, SELL, OFFER TO SELL, OR TRANSFER  
10 OWNERSHIP OF, OR KNOWINGLY CAUSE THE MANUFACTURE, IMPORTATION,  
11 PURCHASE, SALE, OFFER OF SALE, OR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF, AN  
12 ASSAULT WEAPON.

13 (2) THE PROHIBITION DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY  
14 TO:

15 (a) A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, TO THE  
16 EXTENT THAT THE PERSON IS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO ACQUIRE AN  
17 ASSAULT WEAPON AND DOES SO WHILE ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE  
18 PERSON'S DUTIES;

19 (b) THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, OR TRANSFER OF AN ASSAULT  
20 WEAPON BY A LICENSED FIREARMS MANUFACTURER TO ANY BRANCH OF  
21 THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES;

22 (c) THE TRANSFER OF AN ASSAULT WEAPON TO A LICENSED  
23 FIREARMS DEALER FOR TEMPORARY STORAGE OR PERMANENT DISPOSAL,  
24 OR TO A GUNSMITH FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAINTENANCE, REPAIR,  
25 MODIFICATION, AND THE SUBSEQUENT RETURN OF THE ASSAULT WEAPON  
26 TO THE LAWFUL OWNER, PROVIDED THE LAWFUL OWNER IS NOT  
27 OTHERWISE PROHIBITED BY STATUTE;

1 (d) ANY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY,  
2 MUSEUM, OR INSTITUTIONAL COLLECTION THAT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC,  
3 PROVIDED THAT THE ASSAULT WEAPON IS SECURELY HOUSED AND  
4 UNLOADED;

5 (e) A FORENSIC LABORATORY, OR ANY AUTHORIZED AGENT OR  
6 EMPLOYEE OF THE LABORATORY, FOR USE EXCLUSIVELY IN THE COURSE  
7 AND SCOPE OF AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES;

8 (f) AN ENTITY THAT OPERATES AN ARMORED VEHICLE BUSINESS  
9 AND AN AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEE OF THE ENTITY WHILE IN THE COURSE AND  
10 SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT;

11 (g) A LICENSED GUN DEALER WHO HAS REMAINING INVENTORY OF  
12 ASSAULT WEAPONS ON OR AFTER AUGUST 1, 2024, AND SELLS OR  
13 TRANSFERS THE REMAINING INVENTORY ONLY TO A NON-COLORADO  
14 RESIDENT AND THE SALE OR TRANSFER TAKES PLACE OUT OF STATE. A  
15 SALE OR TRANSFER OF INVENTORY REMAINING ON OR AFTER AUGUST 1,  
16 2024, TO A COLORADO RESIDENT OR IN THIS STATE IS A VIOLATION OF THIS  
17 SECTION.

18 (h) A PEACE OFFICER; AND

19 (i) AN ENTITY THAT EMPLOYS PEACE OFFICERS FOR USE BY THAT  
20 ENTITY OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

21 (3) A LICENSED GUN DEALER, LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER, GUN  
22 SHOW VENDOR, OR OTHER PERSON ATTEMPTING TO SELL AN ASSAULT  
23 WEAPON ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2024, SHALL BE ASSESSED A CIVIL PENALTY  
24 IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE  
25 FIRST ASSAULT WEAPON SOLD IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION AND FIVE  
26 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT ASSAULT WEAPON  
27 SOLD IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION.

1           **18-12-604. Possession of rapid-fire trigger activators**

2           **prohibited - exemptions - penalties.** (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE  
3           PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON SHALL NOT  
4           KNOWINGLY POSSESS A RAPID-FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATOR.

5           (2) THE PROHIBITION DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY  
6           TO:

7           (a) A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, TO THE  
8           EXTENT THAT THE PERSON IS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO ACQUIRE AN  
9           RAPID-FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATOR AND DOES SO WHILE ACTING WITHIN THE  
10          SCOPE OF THE PERSON'S DUTIES;

11          (b) THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, OR TRANSFER OF RAPID-FIRE  
12          TRIGGER ACTIVATORS BY A LICENSED FIREARMS MANUFACTURER TO ANY  
13          BRANCH OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES;

14          (c) A FORENSIC LABORATORY, OR ANY AUTHORIZED AGENT OR  
15          EMPLOYEE OF THE LABORATORY, FOR USE EXCLUSIVELY IN THE COURSE  
16          AND SCOPE OF AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES;

17          (d) A LICENSED GUN DEALER WHO HAS REMAINING INVENTORY OF  
18          RAPID-FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATORS ON OR AFTER AUGUST 1, 2024, AND  
19          SELLS OR TRANSFERS THE REMAINING INVENTORY ONLY TO A  
20          NON-COLORADO RESIDENT AND THE SALE OR TRANSFER TAKES PLACE OUT  
21          OF STATE. A SALE OR TRANSFER OF INVENTORY REMAINING ON OR AFTER  
22          AUGUST 1, 2024, TO A COLORADO RESIDENT OR IN THIS STATE IS A  
23          VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION.

24          (e) A PEACE OFFICER; AND

25          (f) AN ENTITY THAT EMPLOYS PEACE OFFICERS FOR USE BY THAT  
26          ENTITY OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

27          (3) A LICENSED GUN DEALER, LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER, GUN

1 SHOW VENDOR, OR OTHER PERSON ATTEMPTING TO SELL A RAPID-FIRE  
2 TRIGGER ACTIVATOR ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2024, SHALL BE ASSESSED A  
3 CIVIL PENALTY IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND  
4 DOLLARS FOR THE FIRST RAPID-FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATOR SOLD IN  
5 VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION AND FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR  
6 EACH SUBSEQUENT RAPID-FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATOR SOLD IN VIOLATION  
7 OF THIS SECTION.

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-108.7, **amend**  
9 (3) as follows:

10 **18-12-108.7. Unlawfully providing or permitting a juvenile to**  
11 **possess a handgun - penalty - unlawfully providing a firearm other**  
12 **than a handgun to a juvenile - penalty.** (3) With regard to firearms  
13 other than handguns, ~~no~~ INCLUDING ASSAULT WEAPONS, AS DEFINED IN  
14 SECTION 18-12-602, A person shall NOT sell, rent, or transfer ownership  
15 or allow unsupervised possession of a firearm, INCLUDING AN ASSAULT  
16 WEAPON AS PROHIBITED PURSUANT TO PART 6 OF THIS ARTICLE 12, with  
17 or without remuneration to any juvenile without the consent of the  
18 juvenile's parent or legal guardian. Unlawfully providing a firearm,  
19 INCLUDING AN ASSAULT WEAPON, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 18-12-602, other  
20 than a handgun to a juvenile in violation of this subsection (3) is a class  
21 1 misdemeanor.

22 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,  
23 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
24 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for  
25 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state  
26 institutions.