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To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the possession or transfer of assault weapons.

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Mr. MFUME (for himself, Mr. WYNN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. BLACKWELL, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. TUCKER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. MAZZOLI, Mr. RUSH, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SCOTT, and Mr. WATT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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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 Weapons Pro-
5 hibition Act of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST POSSESSION OR TRANSFER**
7 **OF ASSAULT WEAPONS.**

8 Section 922 of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “(s)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), it shall
2 be unlawful for any person—

3 “(A) to transfer an assault weapon; or

4 “(B) to possess an assault weapon after the 90-
5 day period that begins with the effective date of this
6 subsection.

7 “(2)(A)(i) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a transfer
8 to or by, or a possession by or under the authority of,
9 the United States or any department or agency thereof,
10 or any State or a department, agency, or political subdivi-
11 sion thereof.

12 “(B) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the otherwise
13 lawful possession of an assault weapon by a person who—

14 “(i) has lawfully possessed the weapon since be-
15 fore the effective date of this subsection; and

16 “(ii) has submitted to the Secretary, in such
17 form and in such manner as the Secretary shall pre-
18 scribe by regulation—

19 “(I) the name (and any former name), ad-
20 dress, date of birth, and any driver’s license
21 number of the person; and

22 “(II) the serial number of the weapon.

23 “(3) Within 90 days after the date of the enactment
24 of this subsection, the Secretary shall prescribe such regu-
25 lations as are necessary to carry out this subsection.”.

1 **SEC. 3. DEFINITION OF ASSAULT WEAPON.**

2 Section 921(a) of title 18, United States Code, is
3 amended by adding at the end the following:

4 “(29) The term ‘assault weapon’ means—

5 “(A)(i) Norinco, Mitchell, and Poly Tech-
6 nologies Avtomat Kalashnikovs (all models);

7 “(ii) Action Arms Israeli Military Industries
8 UZI and Galil;

9 “(iii) Beretta AR-70 (SC-70);

10 “(iv) Colt AR-15 and CAR-15;

11 “(v) Fabrique Nationale FN/FAL, FN/LAR,
12 and FNC;

13 “(vi) MAC 10 and 11;

14 “(vii) Steyr AUG;

15 “(viii) INTRATEC TEC-9;

16 “(ix) Street Sweeper and Striker 12;

17 “(x) Auto Ordnance 27A1 Thompson, 27A5
18 Thompson, M1 Thompson;

19 “(xi) Springfield BM59, SAR48, and G3SA;

20 “(xii) All Ruger Mini-14 models with folding
21 stocks; and

22 “(xiii) Armscorp FAL;

23 “(B) any firearm which is functionally equiva-
24 lent to any firearm specified in subparagraph (A);

25 “(C) a firearm having threads, lugs, or other
26 characteristics which are designed to facilitate the

1 direct attachment of a silencer, bayonet, grenade
2 launcher, flash suppressor, or folding stock to the
3 firearm;

4 “(D) any part or combination of parts designed
5 to facilitate the attachment of a silencer, bayonet,
6 grenade launcher, flash suppressor, or folding stock
7 to a firearm;

8 “(E) a detachable magazine, drum, belt, feed
9 strip, or similar device which has a capacity of, or
10 can be readily restored or converted to accept, 10 or
11 more rounds of ammunition; and

12 “(F) any combination of parts—

13 “(i) designed and intended solely and ex-
14 clusively for assembling—

15 “(I) a firearm specified in subpara-
16 graph (A), or described in subparagraph
17 (B) or (C); or

18 “(II) a device described in subpara-
19 graph (E); and

20 “(ii) from which a firearm or device re-
21 ferred to in clause (i) could be assembled if
22 such parts were possessed or controlled by 1
23 person.”.

1 **SEC. 4. AUTHORITY TO RECOMMEND MODIFICATIONS TO**
2 **THE DEFINITION OF ASSAULT WEAPON.**

3 The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with
4 the Attorney General, may recommend to the Congress
5 that the definition of an assault weapon in section
6 921(a)(29) of title 18, United States Code, be modified—

7 (1) to include firearms not covered by the defi-
8 nition which should be so covered; and

9 (2) to exclude firearms covered by the definition
10 which should not be so covered.

11 **SEC. 5. ENHANCED PENALTIES.**

12 Section 924(c)(1) of title 18, United States Code, is
13 amended—

14 (1) by inserting “and if the firearm is an as-
15 sault weapon, to imprisonment for 15 years,” after
16 “ten years,”; and

17 (2) by inserting “and if the firearm is an as-
18 sault weapon, to imprisonment for 30 years,” after
19 “twenty years,”.

20 **SEC. 6. STUDY BY ATTORNEY GENERAL.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General of the Unit-
22 ed States shall—

23 (1) investigate and study the effect of this Act
24 and the amendments made by this Act on violent
25 and drug-related crime; and

1 (2) evaluate the recreational and other
2 noncriminal uses of assault weapons (as defined in
3 section 921(a)(29) of title 18, United States Code).

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 30 months after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney General
6 shall prepare and submit to the Committee on the Judici-
7 ary of the House of Representatives and the Committee
8 on the Judiciary of the Senate a report on the matters
9 described in subsection (a).

10 **SEC. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

11 This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall
12 become effective 90 days after the date of the enactment
13 of this Act.

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