

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6704

To reauthorize the ban on undetectable firearms.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 21, 2012

Mr. ISRAEL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To reauthorize the ban on undetectable firearms.

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. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds that—

5 (1) according to data from the Federal Bureau
6 of Investigation 8,583 of the 12,664 murders in the
7 United States in 2011 were committed using a fire-
8 arm, and more than 57 percent of the murders that
9 occurred in New York State were perpetrated with
10 a firearm;

11 (2) the ability to produce a receiver for a fire-
12 arm in the home would circumvent a number of

1 laws, because the receiver is the component of the
2 firearm that bears its serial number, as required by
3 regulations;

4 (3) the technology of 3-dimensional printers
5 (“3D printers”) is quickly advancing to a point
6 where these printers will soon be capable of fabri-
7 cating fully operational firearm receivers; and

8 (4) many commercially available 3D printers
9 are able to print materials that are unable to be de-
10 tected by traditional metal detectors, and may not
11 present an accurate image on an x-ray.

12 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF BAN ON UNDETECTABLE**
13 **FIREARMS.**

14 Section 2(f)(2) of the Undetectable Firearms Act of
15 1988 (18 U.S.C. 922 note) is amended by striking “25”
16 and inserting “35”.

17 **SEC. 3. INCLUSION IN BAN OF FIREARM RECEIVERS AND**
18 **BARRELS NOT DETECTABLE THROUGH THE**
19 **USE OF X-RAYS.**

20 Section 922(p) of title 18, United States Code, is
21 amended—

22 (1) in paragraph (1)—

23 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
24 (A), by striking “receive any firearm—” and in-
25 serting “receive—”; and

1 (B) by striking subparagraphs (A) and (B)
2 and inserting the following:

3 “(A) any firearm—

4 “(i) that, after removal of grips,
5 stocks, and magazines, is not as detectable
6 as the Security Exemplar, by walk-through
7 metal detectors calibrated and operated to
8 detect the Security Exemplar; or

9 “(ii) any major component of which,
10 when subjected to inspection by the types
11 of x-ray machines commonly used at air-
12 ports, does not generate an image that ac-
13 curately depicts the shape of the compo-
14 nent. Barium sulfate or other compounds
15 may be used in the fabrication of the com-
16 ponent; or

17 “(B) any receiver or barrel which is a major
18 component described in subparagraph (A)(ii).”;

19 (2) in paragraph (3)—

20 (A) by inserting “, or a receiver or barrel
21 referred to in paragraph (1)(B)” after “a fire-
22 arm”;

23 (B) by inserting “or such receiver or bar-
24 rel” after “such firearm” each place it appears;
25 and

1 (C) by inserting “, receivers, or barrels”
2 after “firearms”; and
3 (3) in each of paragraphs (4) through (6), by
4 inserting “, receiver, or barrel” after “firearm” each
5 place it appears.

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