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# H. R. 376

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HONDA (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mrs. CAPPS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Home-Assembled Fire-  
3 arms Restriction Act of 2015”.

4 **SEC. 2. DO-IT-YOURSELF ASSAULT WEAPON BAN.**

5 (a) **BANNED HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS.**—Notwith-  
6 standing section 3(a)(5)(E) of the Consumer Product  
7 Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 2052(a)(5)(E)), the following shall  
8 be considered banned hazardous products under section  
9 8 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 2057):

10 (1) A firearm receiver casting or firearm re-  
11 ceiver blank that—

12 (A) at the point of sale does not meet the  
13 definition of a firearm in section 921(a) of title  
14 18, United States Code; and

15 (B) after purchase by a consumer, can be  
16 completed by the consumer to the point at  
17 which such casting or blank functions as a fire-  
18 arm frame or receiver for a semiautomatic as-  
19 sault weapon or machine gun.

20 (2) An assault weapon parts kit.

21 (3) A machinegun parts kit.

22 (b) **ENFORCEMENT.**—Subsection (a) shall be treated  
23 as a ban under section 19 of the Consumer Product Safety  
24 Act (15 U.S.C. 2068).

25 (c) **CONSULTATION.**—In enforcing this section, the  
26 Consumer Product Safety Commission shall periodically

1 consult with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms  
2 and Explosives regarding effective strategies for and  
3 methods of enforcement.

4 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION OF ADVERTISING DO-IT-YOURSELF**  
5 **ASSAULT WEAPONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful to market or  
7 advertise, on any medium of electronic communications,  
8 including over the Internet, for the sale of any of the fol-  
9 lowing:

10 (1) A firearm receiver casting or firearm re-  
11 ceiver blank that—

12 (A) at the point of sale does not meet the  
13 definition of a firearm in section 921(a) of title  
14 18, United States Code; and

15 (B) after purchase by a consumer, can be  
16 completed by the consumer to the point at  
17 which such casting or blank functions as a fire-  
18 arm frame or receiver for a semiautomatic as-  
19 sault weapon or machinegun.

20 (2) An assault weapon parts kit.

21 (3) A machinegun parts kit.

22 (b) ENFORCEMENT BY THE FEDERAL TRADE COM-  
23 MISSION.—A violation of subsection (a) shall be treated  
24 as a violation of a rule defining an unfair or deceptive  
25 act or practice described under section 18(a)(1)(B) of the

1 Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(a)(1)(B)).  
2 The Federal Trade Commission shall enforce this section  
3 in the same manner, by the same means, and with the  
4 same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all appli-  
5 cable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commis-  
6 sion Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.) were incorporated into and  
7 made a part of this Act.

8 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing contained in  
9 this Act shall be construed to limit the authority of the  
10 Federal Trade Commission under any other provision of  
11 law.

12 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

13 (a) TERMS.—For purposes of this Act—

14 (1) the term “assault weapon parts kit” means  
15 any part or combination of parts not designed and  
16 intended for repair or replacement but designed and  
17 intended to enable a consumer who possesses all  
18 such necessary parts to assemble a semiautomatic  
19 assault weapon;

20 (2) the term “machinegun parts kit” means any  
21 part or combination of parts designed and intended  
22 to enable a consumer who possesses all such nec-  
23 essary parts to assemble a machinegun or convert a  
24 firearm into a machinegun;

1           (3) the term “semiautomatic assault weapon”  
2 means—

3           (A) a semiautomatic rifle or semiautomatic  
4 shotgun that has the capacity to accept a de-  
5 tachable ammunition magazine; or

6           (B) a semiautomatic pistol that has—

7           (i) the capacity to accept a detachable  
8 ammunition magazine; and

9           (ii) any one of the features described  
10 in subsection (b);

11          (4) the term “machinegun” has the meaning  
12 given such term in section 5845(b) of the Internal  
13 Revenue Code of 1986;

14          (5) the term “semiautomatic pistol” means any  
15 repeating pistol that utilizes a portion of the energy  
16 of a firing cartridge to extract the fixed cartridge  
17 case and chamber the next round and requires a  
18 separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge;

19          (6) the term “semiautomatic rifle” has the  
20 meaning given such term in section 921(a)(28) of  
21 title 18, United States Code; and

22          (7) the term “semiautomatic shotgun” means  
23 any repeating shotgun that utilizes a portion of the  
24 energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fixed car-

1 tridge case and chamber the next round and requires  
2 a separate pull of a trigger to fire each cartridge.

3 (b) SPECIAL FEATURES OF A SEMIAUTOMATIC PIS-  
4 TOL.—The special features described in subsection  
5 (a)(3)(B)(ii) are—

6 (1) an ammunition magazine that attaches to  
7 the pistol outside of the pistol grip;

8 (2) a threaded barrel capable of accepting a  
9 barrel extender, flash suppressor, forward handgrip,  
10 or silencer;

11 (3) a shroud that is attached to, or partially or  
12 completely encircles, the barrel and that permits the  
13 shooter to hold the firearm with the nontrigger hand  
14 without being burned;

15 (4) a manufactured weight of 50 ounces or  
16 more when the pistol is unloaded; and

17 (5) a semiautomatic version of an automatic  
18 firearm.

19 **SEC. 5. CONSTRUCTION.**

20 Nothing in this Act shall be construed as limiting the  
21 ability of a State to enact more restrictive gun-related  
22 laws, or bans on firearm receiver castings, firearm receiver  
23 blanks, assault weapon parts kits, or machinegun parts  
24 kits.

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