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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 16, 2022

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous  
3 articles, further providing for definitions and for sale or  
4 transfer of firearms.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 6102 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding definitions to read:

9 § 6102. Definitions.

10 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent  
11 provisions of this subchapter which are applicable to specific  
12 provisions of this subchapter, the following words and phrases,  
13 when used in this subchapter shall have, unless the context  
14 clearly indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this  
15 section:

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17 "Rifle." A weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade,  
18 and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or

1 redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of an explosive  
2 to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each  
3 single pull of the trigger.

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5 "Semiautomatic assault rifle." A semiautomatic rifle capable  
6 of holding more than five rounds of ammunition in a fixed or  
7 detachable magazine.

8 "Semiautomatic rifle." A repeating rifle that utilizes a  
9 portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired  
10 cartridge case and chamber the next round and that requires a  
11 separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge.

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13 Section 2. Section 6111(g) of Title 18 is amended by adding  
14 a paragraph and the section is amended by adding a subsection to  
15 read:

16 § 6111. Sale or transfer of firearms.

17 \* \* \*

18 (c.1) Semiautomatic assault rifles.--No person shall sell or  
19 transfer a semiautomatic assault rifle to an individual under 21  
20 years of age.

21 \* \* \*

22 (g) Penalties.--

23 \* \* \*

24 (1.1) Any person, licensed dealer, licensed manufacturer  
25 or licensed importer who knowingly or intentionally sells,  
26 delivers or transfers a semiautomatic assault rifle to any  
27 person, purchaser or transferee who is unqualified or  
28 ineligible to control, possess or use a semiautomatic assault  
29 rifle under this chapter commits a felony of the third degree  
30 and shall in addition be subject to revocation of the license

1     to sell firearms for a period of three years.

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3     Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.