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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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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, providing for the offense of undetectable firearms.

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

6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 6143. Undetectable firearms.

9 (a) Offense defined.--It shall be unlawful for a person to  
10 manufacture, import, sell, ship, deliver, possess, transfer or  
11 receive a firearm which meets any of the following:

12 (1) After removal of all parts other than major  
13 components, is not detectable by walk-through metal  
14 detectors.

15 (2) A major component of which, when subject to  
16 inspection by the types of detection devices commonly used at  
17 airports, does not generate an image that accurately depicts

1 the shape of the component.

2 (b) Penalty.--An offense under this section constitutes a  
3 felony of the third degree.

4 (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following  
5 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this  
6 subsection:

7 "Major component." With respect to a firearm, the term shall  
8 include any of the following:

9 (1) The barrel.

10 (2) The slide or cylinder.

11 (3) The frame or receiver.

12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.