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Proposed law prohibits the importation, manufacture, sale, purchase, possession, or transfer within this state of a rapid-fire device, and provides that anyone who violates this prohibition shall be fined not more than $1,000, imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

Proposed law defines "rapid-fire device" as any of the following:

(1) A device that, when attached to a semiautomatic weapon, allows the weapon to discharge two or more shots in a burst by activating the device.

(2) A manual or power-driven trigger activating device that, when attached to a semiautomatic weapon, substantially increases the rate of fire of that weapon.

(3) A reciprocating stock or other device that, when attached to a semiautomatic weapon, substantially accelerates the rate of fire of the weapon.

Proposed law defines "semiautomatic weapon" as any repeating weapon that utilizes the portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired cartridge case and chamber to the next round, and that requires a separate function of the trigger to fire each cartridge.

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