

Union Calendar No. 403

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 2189

[Report No. 119–472]

To modernize Federal firearms laws to account for advancements in technology and less-than-lethal weapons, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 18, 2025

Mr. FITZGERALD (for himself and Mr. CORREA) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JANUARY 30, 2026

Additional sponsors: Mr. STAUBER, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. CLINE, Mr. BIGGS of Arizona, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Ms. PEREZ, Ms. BOEBERT, Mr. HUNT, Ms. HAGEMAN, Mr. GUEST, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. LALOTA, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. CAREY, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. BAUMGARTNER, Mr. HARRIGAN, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. GILL of Texas, Mr. FRY, Mr. ONDER, Mr. EVANS of Colorado, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. EZELL, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. CRANE, Mr. FALLON, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. ZINKE, Ms. LEE of Florida, Mr. ISSA, Mr. CUELLAR, Mrs. HINSON, Ms. MALOY, Mr. YAKYM, Mr. BURLISON, Mr. HAMADEH of Arizona, Mr. FINSTAD, Mr. BURCHETT, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. VASQUEZ, Mr. MANN, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CISCOMANI, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. KNOTT, Mr. MORAN, Mr. GOODEN, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mrs. KIM, Mr. McDOWELL, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. MACKENZIE, Mr. MCGUIRE, Mr. KEAN, Mr. STUTZMAN, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. SCHMIDT, Mr. VINDMAN, Mr. CALVERT, Ms. STEVENS, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Ms. GILLEN, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. KENNEDY of Utah, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. KUSTOFF, Mr. HERN of Oklahoma, Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Mrs. HOUCHIN, Mr. MILLER of Ohio, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. GRAY, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Ms. CLARKE of New York, and Mr. MOORE of North Carolina

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 18, 2025]

A BILL

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Law-Enforcement Inno-*
5 *vate to De-Escalate Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN LESS-THAN-LETHAL PRO-**
7 **JECTILE DEVICES FROM RESTRICTIONS**
8 **UNDER TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.**

9 *Section 921(a) of title 18, United States Code, is*
10 *amended—*

11 *(1) in the second sentence of paragraph (3), by*
12 *inserting “or a less-than-lethal projectile device” be-*
13 *fore the period; and*

14 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

15 *“(39)(A) The term ‘less-than-lethal projectile device’*
16 *means a device that—*

17 *“(i) is not designed or intended to expel and*
18 *may not be readily converted to accept and dis-*
19 *charge—*

20 *“(I) ammunition commonly used in hand-*
21 *guns, rifles, or shotguns; or*

22 *“(II) any other projectile at a velocity ex-*
23 *ceeding 500 feet per second;*

1 “(ii) is designed and intended to be used in a
2 manner that is not likely to cause death or serious
3 bodily injury; and

4 “(iii) does not accept, and is not able to be read-
5 ily modified to accept, an ammunition feeding de-
6 vice—

7 “(I) loaded through the inside of a pistol
8 grip; or

9 “(II) commonly used in semiautomatic fire-
10 arms.

11 “(B) If a person requests that the Attorney General
12 determine whether a device satisfies the definition of ‘less-
13 than-lethal projectile device’ under subparagraph (A), the
14 Attorney General shall make the determination not later
15 than 90 days after the date on which the Attorney General
16 receives the device pursuant to the request.”.

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