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SB-1346 Firearms: multiburst trigger activators. (2017-2018)

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Senate Bill No. 1346

CHAPTER 795

An act to amend Section 16930 of the Penal Code, relating to firearms.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1346, Jackson. Firearms: multiburst trigger activators.

Existing law prohibits the manufacture, importation, sale, transfer, or possession of any multiburst trigger activator. Existing law defines a multiburst trigger activator as either a device designed or redesigned to be attached to a semiautomatic firearm, which allows the firearm to discharge two or more shots in a burst by activating the device, or a manual or power-driven trigger activating device constructed and designed so that when attached to a semiautomatic firearm it increases the rate of fire of that firearm.

This bill would include within that definition of "multiburst trigger activator" certain types of devices, including bump stocks and burst triggers.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: no Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 16930 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

16930. (a) As used in this part, a "multiburst trigger activator" means either of the following:

- (1) A device designed or redesigned to be attached to, built into, or used in conjunction with, a semiautomatic firearm, which allows the firearm to discharge two or more shots in a burst by activating the device.
- (2) A manual or power-driven trigger activating device constructed and designed so that when attached to, built into, or used in conjunction with, a semiautomatic firearm it increases the rate of fire of that firearm.

(b) "Multiburst trigger activator" includes, but is not limited to, any of the following devices:

- (1) A device that uses a spring, piston, or similar mechanism to push back against the recoil of a firearm, thereby moving the firearm in a back-and-forth motion and facilitating the rapid reset and activation of the trigger by a stationary finger. These devices are commonly known as bump stocks, bump fire stocks, or bump fire stock attachments.
- (2) A device placed within the trigger guard of a firearm that uses a spring to push back against the recoil of the firearm causing the finger in the trigger guard to move back and forth and rapidly activate the trigger. These devices are commonly known as

burst triggers.

(3) A mechanical device that activates the trigger of the firearm in rapid succession by turning a crank. These devices are commonly known as trigger cranks, gat cranks, gat triggers, or trigger actuators.

(4) Any aftermarket trigger or trigger system that, if installed, allows more than one round to be fired with a single depression of the trigger.