

HOUSE BILL NO. 6544

December 01, 2022, Introduced by Rep. Pepper and referred to the Committee on Military, Veterans and Homeland Security.

A bill to ban the manufacture, possession, purchase, and sale of assault weapons; to provide certain powers and duties for certain state and local officials and agencies; to provide for the promulgation of rules; and to provide penalties.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. As used in this act, "assault weapon" means a
2 semiautomatic rifle that has an ability to accept a detachable
3 magazine and has 1 or more of the following characteristics:
4 (i) A pistol grip or thumbhole stock.
5 (ii) Any feature capable of functioning as a protruding grip
6 that can be held by the nontrigger hand.

1 (iii) A folding or telescoping stock.

2 (iv) A shroud that is attached to, or partially or completely
3 encircles, the barrel and that permits the shooter to hold the
4 firearm with the nontrigger hand without being burned, but
5 excluding a slide that encloses the barrel.

6 Sec. 2. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
7 beginning January 1, 2024, a person shall not manufacture, possess,
8 purchase, or sell an assault weapon in this state.

9 (2) A person may continue to possess an assault weapon that
10 the person legally possessed before the effective date of this act
11 if both of the following apply:

12 (a) The person registers the assault weapon with the
13 department of state police in compliance with rules adopted for
14 that purpose by the department of state police.

15 (b) The person renews the registration of the assault weapon
16 every 5 years.

17 (3) A person who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a felony
18 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years.

19 Sec. 3. The department of state police shall promulgate rules
20 pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306,
21 MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to implement this act.