

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 29

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled  
"The Michigan penal code,"  
by amending section 224a (MCL 750.224a), as amended by 2006 PA 457.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 224a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a  
2       person shall not sell, offer for sale, or possess in this state a  
3       portable device or weapon from which an electrical current,  
4       impulse, wave, or beam may be directed, which current, impulse,  
5       wave, or beam is designed to incapacitate temporarily, injure, or  
6       kill.

7       (2) This section does not prohibit any of the following:

8       (a) The possession and reasonable use of a device that uses  
9       electro-muscular disruption technology by **A PEACE OFFICER, OR BY**  
10      any of the following individuals ~~—~~if the individual has been  
11      trained in the use, effects, and risks of the device, and is using

1 the device while performing his or her official duties:

2 ~~—— (i) A peace officer.~~

3 (i) ~~(ii)~~—An employee of the department of corrections who is  
4 authorized in writing by the director of the department of  
5 corrections to possess and use the device.

6 (ii) ~~(iii)~~—A local corrections officer authorized in writing by  
7 the county sheriff to possess and use the device.

8 (iii) ~~(iv)~~—An individual employed by a local unit of government  
9 that utilizes a jail or lockup facility who has custody of persons  
10 detained or incarcerated in the jail or lockup facility and who is  
11 authorized in writing by the chief of police, director of public  
12 safety, or sheriff to possess and use the device.

13 (iv) ~~(v)~~—A probation officer.

14 (v) ~~(vi)~~—A court officer.

15 (vi) ~~(vii)~~—A bail agent authorized under section 167b.

16 (vii) ~~(viii)~~—A licensed private investigator.

17 (viii) ~~(ix)~~—An aircraft pilot or aircraft crew member.

18 (ix) ~~(x)~~—An individual employed as a private security police  
19 officer. As used in this subparagraph, "private security police"  
20 means that term as defined in section 2 of the private security  
21 business and security alarm act, 1968 PA 330, MCL 338.1052.

22 (B) THE POSSESSION AND REASONABLE USE OF A DEVICE THAT USES  
23 ELECTRO-MUSCULAR DISRUPTION TECHNOLOGY BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HOLDS A  
24 VALID LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED PISTOL UNDER SECTION 5B OF 1927  
25 PA 372, MCL 28.425, AND WHO HAS BEEN TRAINED UNDER SUBSECTION (5)  
26 IN THE USE, EFFECTS, AND RISKS OF THE DEVICE.

27 (C) ~~(b)~~—Possession solely for the purpose of delivering a

1 device described in subsection (1) to any governmental agency or to  
2 a laboratory for testing, with the prior written approval of the  
3 governmental agency or law enforcement agency and under conditions  
4 determined to be appropriate by that agency.

5 (3) A manufacturer, authorized importer, or authorized dealer  
6 may demonstrate, offer for sale, hold for sale, sell, give, lend,  
7 or deliver a device that uses electro-muscular disruption  
8 technology to a person authorized to possess a device that uses  
9 electro-muscular disruption technology and may possess a device  
10 that uses electro-muscular disruption technology for any of those  
11 purposes.

12 (4) A person who violates ~~this section~~ **SUBSECTION (1)** is  
13 guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4  
14 years or a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, or both.

15 (5) **AN AUTHORIZED DEALER OR OTHER PERSON WHO SELLS A DEVICE**  
16 **THAT USES ELECTRO-MUSCULAR DISRUPTION TECHNOLOGY TO AN INDIVIDUAL**  
17 **DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2) (B) SHALL VERIFY THE INDIVIDUAL'S**  
18 **IDENTITY AND VERIFY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HOLDS A VALID CONCEALED**  
19 **PISTOL LICENSE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 5B OF 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.425B,**  
20 **AND SHALL PROVIDE TO THE INDIVIDUAL PURCHASING THE DEVICE, AT THE**  
21 **TIME OF THE SALE, TRAINING ON THE USE, EFFECTS, AND RISKS OF THE**  
22 **DEVICE. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A**  
23 **MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 30 DAYS OR**  
24 **A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500.00, OR BOTH.**

25 (6) **AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2) SHALL NOT USE A**  
26 **DEVICE THAT USES ELECTRO-MUSCULAR DISRUPTION TECHNOLOGY AGAINST**  
27 **ANOTHER PERSON EXCEPT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WOULD JUSTIFY THE**

1 INDIVIDUAL'S LAWFUL USE OF PHYSICAL FORCE. AN INDIVIDUAL WHO  
2 VIOLATES THIS SUBDIVISION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY  
3 IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 2 YEARS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN  
4 \$2,000.00, OR BOTH.

5 (7) ~~(5)~~ As used in this section:

6 (a) "A device that uses electro-muscular disruption  
7 technology" means a device to which ~~all~~ **BOTH** of the following  
8 apply:

9 (i) The device is capable of creating an electro-muscular  
10 disruption and is used or intended to be used as a defensive device  
11 capable of temporarily incapacitating or immobilizing a person by  
12 the direction or emission of conducted energy.

13 (ii) The device contains an identification and tracking system  
14 that, when the device is initially used, dispenses coded material  
15 traceable to the purchaser through records kept by the  
16 manufacturer, -

17 ~~—— (iii) The~~ **AND THE** manufacturer of the device has a policy of  
18 providing ~~the~~ **THAT** identification and tracking information  
19 ~~described in subparagraph (ii)~~ to a police agency upon written  
20 request by that agency. **HOWEVER, THIS SUBDIVISION DOES NOT APPLY TO**  
21 **A LAUNCHABLE DEVICE THAT IS USED ONLY BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.**

22 (b) "Local corrections officer" means that term as defined in  
23 section 2 of the local corrections officers training act, 2003 PA  
24 125, MCL 791.532.

25 (c) "Peace officer" means any of the following:

26 (i) A police officer or public safety officer of this state or  
27 a political subdivision of this state, including motor carrier

1 officers appointed under section 6d of 1935 PA 59, MCL 28.6d, and  
2 security personnel employed by the state under section 6c of 1935  
3 PA 59, MCL 28.6c.

4 (ii) A sheriff or a sheriff's deputy.

5 (iii) A police officer or public safety officer of a junior  
6 college, college, or university who is authorized by the governing  
7 board of that junior college, college, or university to enforce  
8 state law and the rules and ordinances of that junior college,  
9 college, or university.

10 (iv) A township constable.

11 (v) A marshal of a city, village, or township.

12 (vi) A conservation officer of the department of natural  
13 resources or the department of environmental quality.

14 **(vii) A RESERVE PEACE OFFICER, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN**  
15 **SECTION 1 OF 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.421.**

16 **(viii)** ~~(vii)~~ A law enforcement officer of another state or of a  
17 political subdivision of another state or a junior college,  
18 college, or university in another state, substantially  
19 corresponding to a law enforcement officer described in  
20 subparagraphs (i) to ~~(vi)~~ **(vii)** .

21 **(ix)** ~~(viii)~~ A federal law enforcement officer.

22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
23 after the date it is enacted into law.

24 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
25 unless Senate Bill No. 30 of the 96th Legislature is enacted into  
26 law.