## **HOUSE BILL NO. 4843**

September 04, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Mueller, BeGole, Bierlein, Green, Beson, Kunse, Prestin, Rigas, Harris, Maddock and Bruck and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code,"

by amending section 224a (MCL 750.224a), as amended by 2012 PA 122.

## 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.

- 1 (2) This section does not prohibit any of the following:
- 2 (a) The possession and reasonable use of a device that uses
- 3 electro-muscular disruption technology or that uses conducted
- 4 electrical energy CD3 technology by a peace officer, or by any of
- 5 the following individuals if the individual has been trained in the
- 6 use, effects, and risks of the device, and is using the device
- 7 while performing his or her that individual's official duties:
- 8 (i) An employee of the department of corrections who is
- 9 authorized in writing by the director of the department of
- 10 corrections to possess and use the device.
- (ii) A local corrections officer authorized in writing by the
- 12 county sheriff to possess and use the device.
- 13 (iii) An individual employed by a local unit of government that
- 14 utilizes a jail or lockup facility who has custody of persons
- 15 individuals detained or incarcerated in the jail or lockup facility
- 16 and who is authorized in writing by the chief of police, director
- 17 of public safety, or sheriff to possess and use the device.
- 18 (iv) A probation officer.
- 19 (v) A court officer.
- 20 (vi) A bail agent authorized under section 167b.
- 21 (vii) A licensed private investigator.
- 22 (viii) An aircraft pilot or aircraft crew member who is
- 23 authorized in writing by the pilot or crew member's employer to
- 24 possess and use the device.
- 25 (ix) An individual employed as a private security police
- 26 officer who is authorized in writing by that individual's employer
- 27 to possess and use the device. As used in this subparagraph,
- 28 "private security police" means that term as defined in section 2
- 29 of the private security business and security alarm act, 1968 PA

- 1 330, MCL 338.1052.
- 2 (x) An individual who possesses a valid concealed pistol
- 3 license issued under section 5b of 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.425b, and is
- 4 employed as a private security guard. The individual must be
- 5 authorized in writing by that individual's employer to possess and
- 6 use the device. The device must be owned by the private security
- 7 guard and issued to the private security guard as part of the
- 8 private security guard's equipment. As used in this subparagraph,
- 9 "private security guard" means that term as defined in section 2 of
- 10 the private security business and security alarm act, 1968 PA 330,
- 11 MCL 338.1052.
- 12 (b) The possession and reasonable use of a device that uses
- 13 electro-muscular disruption technology by an individual who holds a
- 14 valid license to carry a concealed pistol under section 5b of 1927
- 15 PA 372, MCL <del>28.425,</del> **28.425b**, and who has been trained under
- 16 subsection (5) in the use, effects, and risks of the device.
- 17 (c) Possession solely for the purpose of delivering a device
- 18 described in subsection (1) to any governmental agency or to a
- 19 laboratory for testing, with the prior written approval of the
- 20 governmental agency or law enforcement agency and under conditions
- 21 determined to be appropriate by that agency.
- 22 (3) A manufacturer, authorized importer, or authorized dealer
- 23 may demonstrate, offer for sale, hold for sale, sell, give, lend,
- 24 or deliver a device that uses electro-muscular disruption
- 25 technology described in subsection (2) to a person authorized to
- 26 possess a device that uses electro-muscular disruption technology
- 27 described in subsection (2) and may possess a device that uses
- 28 electro-muscular disruption technology described in subsection (2)
- 29 for any of those purposes.

- (4) A person who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, or both.
- (5) An authorized dealer or other person who sells a device that uses electro-muscular disruption technology to an individual described in subsection (2)(b) shall verify the individual's identity and verify that the individual holds a valid concealed pistol license issued under section 5b of 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.425b, and shall provide to the individual purchasing the device, at the time of the sale, training on the use, effects, and risks of the device. A person who violates this subsection is quilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 30 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both.
  - (6) An individual described in subsection (2) shall not use a device that uses electro-muscular disruption technology or that uses conducted electrical energy CD3 technology against another person-individual except under circumstances that would justify the individual's lawful use of physical force including to de-escalate a situation, to temporarily incapacitate the individual receiving the electrical impulse, to deter an illegal assault or an assault and battery from being committed or continued by the individual receiving the electrical impulse, or to overcome illegal resistance being employed by the individual receiving the electrical impulse.

    An individual who violates this subdivision subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, or both.
    - (7) As used in this section:
- (a) "A device that uses electro-muscular disruptiontechnology" means a device to which both of the following apply:

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- (i) The device is capable of creating an electro-muscular
   disruption and is used or intended to be used as a defensive device
   capable of temporarily incapacitating or immobilizing a person an
   individual by the direction or emission of conducted energy.
- (ii) The device contains an identification and tracking system 5 that, when the device is initially used, dispenses coded material 6 7 traceable to the purchaser through records kept by the 8 manufacturer, and the manufacturer of the device has a policy of 9 providing that identification and tracking information to a police 10 agency upon written request by that agency. However, this 11 subdivision does not apply to a launchable device that is used only 12 by law enforcement agencies.
  - (b) "Device that uses conducted electrical energy CD3 technology" means a device to which both of the following apply:
  - (i) The device delivers an electrical impulse to stimulate nerve endings on the surface of human skin to another individual.
  - (ii) The conducive distraction and de-escalation device is equipped with a downloadable memory storage device capable of recording the date, time, and duration of each impulse that was delivered from the device using conducted electrical energy CD3 technology.
- (c) (b) "Local corrections officer" means that term as defined
  in section 2 of the local corrections officers training act, 2003
  PA 125, MCL 791.532.
  - (d) (c) "Peace officer" means any of the following:
- (i) A police officer or public safety officer of this state or
  a political subdivision of this state, including motor carrier
  officers appointed under section 6d of 1935 PA 59, MCL 28.6d, and
  security personnel employed by the state under section 6c of 1935

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- 1 PA 59, MCL 28.6c.
- 2 (ii) A sheriff or a sheriff's deputy.
- 3 (iii) A police officer or public safety officer of a junior
- 4 college, college, or university who is authorized by the governing
- 5 board of that junior college, college, or university to enforce
- 6 state law and the rules and ordinances of that junior college,
- 7 college, or university.
- 8 (iv) A township constable.
- $\mathbf{9}$  (v) A marshal of a city, village, or township.
- 10 (vi) A conservation officer of the department of natural
- 11 resources or the department of environmental quality.environment,
- 12 Great Lakes, and energy.
- (vii) A reserve peace officer, as that term is defined in
- 14 section 1 of 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.421.
- 15 (viii) A law enforcement officer of another state or of a
- 16 political subdivision of another state or a junior college,
- 17 college, or university in another state, substantially
- 18 corresponding to a law enforcement officer described in
- 19 subparagraphs (i) to (vii).
- 20 (ix) A federal law enforcement officer.