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To prohibit the imposition of requirements that handguns have certain features generally absent from firearms in common use, and to restore the civil and natural rights of Americans in States hostile to liberty, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. ISSA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Modern Firearm Safe-
5 ty Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 The Congress finds that State and local governmental
3 requirements for handgun design that mandate features
4 not ordinarily present on the affected models limit the se-
5 lection of handguns available to law-abiding citizens in
6 these jurisdictions; artificially inflate the price of constitu-
7 tionally protected arms; present safety concerns by alter-
8 ing the intended design and function of the affected mod-
9 els; violate the Second Amendment to the Constitution of
10 the United States; and pose an unacceptable restraint on
11 interstate commerce. The purpose of this Act to is pre-
12 empt any such requirements that exceed those imposed by
13 Federal statute.

14 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON IMPOSITION OF REQUIREMENTS**
15 **THAT HANDGUNS HAVE CERTAIN FEATURES**
16 **GENERALLY ABSENT FROM FIREARMS IN**
17 **COMMON USE.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 927 of title 18, United
19 States Code, is amended—

20 (1) by striking “No” and inserting “(a) IN
21 GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b),
22 no”; and

23 (2) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(b) PROHIBITION ON IMPOSITION OF REQUIRE-
25 MENTS THAT HANDGUNS HAVE CERTAIN FEATURES
26 GENERALLY ABSENT FROM FIREARMS IN COMMON

1 USE.—A department, agency, or instrumentality of the
2 United States, or of any State or political subdivision of
3 a State, may not implement or enforce any provision of
4 law or regulation that requires or has the effect of requir-
5 ing, or promulgate any provision of regulation that would
6 require or have the effect of requiring, a handgun that
7 is in, or has been shipped or transported in, interstate or
8 foreign commerce to incorporate any design feature,
9 functionality, safety mechanism, or performance standard
10 that is not required by Federal statute as a condition for
11 the lawful manufacture, sale, or receipt of the handgun,
12 including—

13 “(1) a device that indicates whether the hand-
14 gun is loaded;

15 “(2) a mechanism that prevents a handgun
16 from being fired if an ammunition magazine is not
17 fully inserted into the handgun;

18 “(3) the capability of imprinting the cartridge
19 casing or projectile of ammunition fired from the
20 handgun with characters meant to identify the hand-
21 gun from which the ammunition is fired;

22 “(4) any device, mechanism, or technology
23 that—

1 “(A) is designed or intended to perform
2 any function described in the preceding provi-
3 sions of this section; or

4 “(B) may be readily converted to be capa-
5 ble of performing any such function; or

6 “(5) the capability of accepting the attachment
7 of any device or mechanism described in paragraph
8 (4).”.