

103<sup>D</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1834

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 22, 1993

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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. PROHIBITION AGAINST THE POSSESSION OF A**

4 **HANDGUN OR AMMUNITION BY, OR THE PRI-**

5 **VATE TRANSFER OF A HANDGUN OR AMMUNI-**

6 **TION TO, A MINOR.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 922 of title 18, United

8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the

9 following:

1       “(s)(1)(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell,  
2 deliver, or otherwise transfer a handgun or ammunition  
3 to a minor.

4       “(B) It shall be unlawful for any minor to possess  
5 or receive a handgun or ammunition.

6       “(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the transfer  
7 of a handgun or ammunition to, or the possession or re-  
8 ceipt of a handgun or ammunition by, a minor who is en-  
9 gaged in a lawful sporting activity under the supervision  
10 of a person who is not prohibited by Federal law, or by  
11 the law of the State in which the activity occurs, from  
12 receiving a firearm or ammunition, unless the minor fails  
13 to return the handgun or ammunition to the transferor  
14 at the end of the activity.

15       “(3) As used in this subsection, the term ‘minor’  
16 means an individual who has not attained 18 years of  
17 age.”.

18       (b) HANDGUN DEFINED.—Section 921(a) of such  
19 title is amended by adding at the end the following:

20       “(29) The term ‘handgun’ means—

21               “(A) a firearm which has a short stock and is  
22 designed to be held and fired by the use of a single  
23 hand; and

1           “(B) any combination of parts from which a  
2           firearm described in subparagraph (A) can be as-  
3           sembled.”.

4           (c) PENALTY.—Section 924(a) of such title is amend-  
5           ed—

6           (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “paragraph  
7           (2) or (3) of”; and

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

9           “(5) Whoever knowingly violates section 922(s) shall  
10          be fined not more than \$1,000, imprisoned for not more  
11          than 1 year, or both.”.

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