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Introduced by Sen. SERRANO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to the sale of child operated firearms

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 265.18 to  
2 read as follows:  
3 S 265.18 SALE OF CHILD OPERATED FIREARMS; CHILDPROOFING.  
4 1. NO PERSON, FIRM, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR CORPORATION ENGAGED  
5 IN THE RETAIL BUSINESS OF SELLING RIFLES, SHOTGUNS OR FIREARMS SHALL  
6 SELL, DELIVER OR TRANSFER ANY CHILD OPERATED FIREARM TO ANOTHER PERSON.  
7 2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "CHILD OPERATED FIREARM" MEANS A  
8 PISTOL OR REVOLVER MANUFACTURED TWELVE MONTHS OR MORE AFTER THE EFFEC-  
9 TIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION WHICH DOES NOT CONTAIN A CHILDPROOFING DEVICE  
10 OR MECHANISM INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN OF SUCH PISTOL OR REVOLVER TO  
11 EFFECTIVELY PRECLUDE AN AVERAGE FIVE YEAR OLD CHILD FROM OPERATING THE  
12 PISTOL OR REVOLVER. SUCH DEVICES OR MECHANISMS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE  
13 LIMITED TO: THE CAPACITY TO ADJUST THE TRIGGER RESISTANCE TO AT LEAST A  
14 TEN POUND PULL, THE CAPACITY TO ALTER THE FIRING MECHANISM SO THAT AN  
15 AVERAGE FIVE YEAR OLD CHILD'S HANDS ARE TOO SMALL TO OPERATE THE PISTOL  
16 OR REVOLVER, OR THE CAPACITY TO REQUIRE A SERIES OF MULTIPLE MOTIONS IN  
17 ORDER TO FIRE THE PISTOL OR REVOLVER.  
18 3. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE STATE POLICE SHALL, IN CONSULTATION WITH  
19 SUCH GUN MANUFACTURERS AS SUCH SUPERINTENDENT DEEMS APPROPRIATE, ADOPT  
20 RULES AND REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR CHILDPROOFING  
21 DEVICES OR MECHANISMS TO ENSURE THAT SUCH CHILDPROOFING DEVICES OR MECH-  
22 ANISMS ARE SAFE AND EFFECTIVE.  
23 4. ANY PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION WHO VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF THIS  
24 SECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR.  
25 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
26 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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