## Florida Senate - 2005

By Senator Siplin

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to paintball guns and markers;
3	defining the terms "paintball gun" and
4	"paintball marker"; prohibiting a person from
5	carrying a paintball gun or a paintball marker
6	in a vehicle on the highway; providing
7	specified exceptions; providing that the act
8	does not apply to a commercial paintball field,
9	range, or course operator when the operator
10	transports passengers to and from designated
11	player areas; providing that a person who
12	violates the act commits a misdemeanor of the
13	first degree; providing criminal penalties;
14	providing an effective date.
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16	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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18	Section 1. Paintball guns and paintball markers
19	(1) As used in this section, the term:
20	(a) "Paintball gun" means a device designed and
21	manufactured to propel, by gas or air, an encapsulated gelatin
22	paintball.
23	(b) "Paintball marker" means a device designed and
24	manufactured to propel, by gas or air, an encapsulated gelatin
25	paintball.
26	(2) Except as set forth in subsection (3), a person
27	<u>may not carry a paintball qun or a paintball marker in a</u>
28	vehicle on the highway unless:
29	(a) The paintball gun or paintball marker is
30	disassembled so that the propellant canister is separate from
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1	the rest of the device and the device is empty of encapsulated
2	gelatin paintballs; or
3	(b) The propellant canister of the paintball qun or
4	paintball marker has been emptied of its gas or air propellant
5	and the device is empty of encapsulated gelatin paintballs.
6	(3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a commercial
7	paintball field, range, or course when passengers are being
8	transported by the commercial field, range, or course operator
9	to and from designated player areas.
10	(4) A person who violates this section commits a
11	misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in
12	section 775.082 or section 775.083, Florida Statutes.
13	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.
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16	SENATE SUMMARY
17	Prohibits a person from carrying a paintball gun or a paintball marker in a vehicle on the highway. Provides
18	specified exceptions. Provides that the act does not apply to a commercial paintball field, range, or course
19	operator when the operator transports passengers to and from designated player areas. Provides that a person who
20	violates the act commits a misdemeanor of the first degree. Provides criminal penalties.
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