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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 paintball marker in
6 a vehicle on the highway; providing specified
7 exceptions; providing that the act does not
8 apply to a commercial paintball field, range,
9 or course when passengers are transported to
10 and from designated player areas; providing
11 that a violation of the act is a first-degree
12 misdemeanor; providing an effective date.

14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

16 Section 1. Paintball guns and paintball markers.--

17 (1) As used in this section, the term "paintball gun"
18 or "paintball marker" means a device designed and manufactured
19 to propel, by gas or air, an encapsulated gelatin paintball.

20 (2) Except as set forth in subsection (3), a person
21 may not carry a paintball gun or paintball marker in a vehicle
22 on the highway unless:

23 (a) The paintball gun or paintball marker is
24 disassembled so that the propellant canister is separate from
25 the rest of the device and the device is empty of encapsulated
26 gelatin paintballs; or

27 (b) The propellant canister of the paintball gun or
28 paintball marker has been emptied of its gas or air propellant
29 and the device is empty of encapsulated gelatin paintballs.

30 (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a commercial
31 paintball field, range, or course when passengers are being

1 transported in a vehicle by an employee of the commercial
2 field, range, or course to and from designated player areas.

3 (4) A person who violates this section commits a
4 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
5 775.082 or s. 775.083, Florida Statutes.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

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9 SENATE SUMMARY

10 Prohibits a person from carrying a paintball gun or
11 paintball marker in a vehicle on the highway. Provides
12 specified exceptions. Provides that the act does not
13 apply to a commercial paintball field, range, or course
14 when passengers are transported to and from designated
15 player areas. Provides that a person who violates the act
16 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree. Provides
17 criminal penalties.
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