

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 "paintball  
4           marker"; prohibiting a person from carrying a  
5           paintball gun or paintball marker in a vehicle on a  
6           highway; providing specified exceptions; providing  
7           that the act does not apply to a commercial paintball  
8           field, range, or course when passengers are  
9           transported to and from designated player areas;  
10          providing that a violation of the act is a first-  
11          degree misdemeanor; providing an effective date.  
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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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15           Section 1. Paintball guns and paintball markers.-

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

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

22           (a) The paintball gun or marker is disassembled so that the  
23 propellant canister is separate from the rest of the device and  
24 the device contains no paintballs; or

25           (b) The propellant canister contains no propellant and the  
26 device contains no paintballs.

27           (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a commercial paintball  
28 field, range, or course when passengers are being transported in  
29 a vehicle by an employee of the commercial field, range, or

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30 course to and from designated player areas.

31 (4) A person who violates this section commits a  
32 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.  
33 775.082 or s. 775.083, Florida Statutes.

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.