

American Legion Auxiliary
New Mexico Girls State
Bill Instruction Sheet



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Bill No: _____ Committee: _____

Status:

Passed by: ☐ Committee ☐ House ☐ Senate ☐ Governor

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Other: _____

Simple Title of Bill: Bill

1 BILL

2 **70TH SESSION – AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE – 2017**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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7 AN ACT

8 **RELATING TO GUNLAWS; BANNING OF ASSAULT WEAPON; REVISING GUNLAWS**

9 **FOR CIVILIANS.**

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW

12 MEXICO GIRLS STATE:

13 SECTION 2:

14 Assault Weapons should be banned for the sole purpose of safety for the people. The one

15 and only purpose of an assault weapon is to cause mass destruction, and

1 pain. There is no need for an AR-15 when hunting game, for sport, or even to defend
2 families from intruders. Assault Weapons in recent events have been used to murder
3 innocent civilians: at schools, movie theaters, concerts, and even malls. These weapons
4 were designed for soldiers in war theaters, they do not belong in the hands of civilians;
5 there is no need. Due to the design of the guns and the ability it has to fire, it causes great
6 damage. Without the access of these weapons, lives would be saved from those who
7 choose to use these weapons to cause nothing but harm. Many tragedies could have been
8 prevented had these guns not been available to those that seek harm. Those who still wish
9 to purchase firearms for hunting purposes or sport still have the opportunity to do so,
10 however the only firearm that will be not purchasable will be assault weapons for they are
11 too deadly for such activities. Due to the recent history of violence throughout the nation, this
12 bill should be passed better now than ever. By removing assault weapons from the market,
13 the country and the state of New Mexico will be safer than before. The protection of
14 civilians should be the utmost importance; and in order to ensure such safety we shall ban
15 a weapon that was produced for the sole purpose of death.

16 SECTION 3.

17 Any person who purchases or uses an automatic weapon illegally is guilty of a
18 misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of five hundred thousand dollars or by
19 imprisonment for a definite term not to exceed one hundred years, or both.

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21 All laws, acts, provisions, or parts of laws contained in the Constitution of the State of New
22 Mexico in conflict with any provision of this act are hereby repealed.

23 Default Start - This section to be used as written.

