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H. R. 4221

To modernize the Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred
to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To modernize the Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Undetectable Firearms
5 Modernization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MODERNIZATION OF THE PROHIBITION ON**
7 **UNDETECTABLE FIREARMS.**

8 Section 922(p) of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (1)—

11 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking
12 “grips, stocks, and magazines, is not as detect-

able as the Security Exemplar, by walk-through metal detectors calibrated and operated to detect the Security Exemplar” and inserting “all parts other than major components, does not contain detectable material”; and

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “when subjected to inspection by the types of x-ray machines commonly used at airports, does not generate” and inserting the following: “if subjected to inspection by the types of detection devices commonly used at airports for security screening, would not generate”;

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

“(B) the term ‘major component’, with respect to a firearm—

“(i) means the slide or cylinder, or the frame or receiver of the firearm; and

“(ii) in the case of a rifle or shotgun, includes the barrel of the firearm; and”;

(B) by striking subparagraph (C) and the proviso that follows and inserting the following:

“(C) the term ‘detectable material’ means material that produces a magnetic field that is equivalent

1 in strength to the magnetic field produced by 3.7
2 ounces of 17–4 PH stainless steel.”;

3 (3) in paragraph (3)—

4 (A) in the first sentence, by inserting
5 after “of a firearm” the following: “, in-
6 cluding a prototype,”; and

7 (B) by striking the second sentence;

8 and

9 (4) in paragraph (5), by striking “shall not
10 apply to any firearm which” and all that follows and
11 inserting the following: “shall not apply to—

12 “(A) any firearm received by, in the possession
13 of, or under the control of the United States; or

14 “(B) the manufacture, importation, possession,
15 transfer, receipt, shipment, or delivery of a firearm
16 by a licensed manufacturer or licensed importer pur-
17 suant to an existing contract with the United
18 States.”.

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