

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4491

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled  
"The Michigan penal code,"  
by amending sections 224b and 231a (MCL 750.224b and 750.231a),  
section 231a as amended by 2002 PA 82; and to repeal acts and parts  
of acts.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 224b. (1) A person shall not manufacture, sell, offer for  
2       sale, or possess a short-barreled shotgun or a short-barreled  
3       rifle.

4       (2) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony  
5       punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years ~~—~~or a fine of  
6       not more than \$2,500.00, or both.

7       (3) ~~The provisions of this~~ **THIS** section ~~shall~~ **DOES** not apply  
8       to the sale, offering for sale, or possession of a short-barreled  
9       rifle or a short-barreled shotgun which the secretary of the

1 treasury of the United States of America, or his **OR HER** delegate,  
 2 ~~pursuant to U.S.C. title 26, section~~ **UNDER 26 USC, SECTIONS** 5801  
 3 through 5872, or ~~U.S.C. title 18,~~ **18 USC**, sections 921 through 928,  
 4 has found to be a curio, relic, antique, museum piece, or  
 5 collector's item not likely to be used as a weapon, but only if the  
 6 person selling, offering for sale or possessing the firearm has  
 7 also fully complied with ~~the provisions of sections 2 and 9 of Act~~  
 8 ~~No. 372 of the Public Acts of 1927, as amended, being sections~~  
 9 ~~28.422 and 28.429 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ **SECTION 2 OR 2A OF**  
 10 **1927 PA 372, MCL 28.422 AND 28.422A.**

11 ~~The provisions of section~~ **SECTION** 20 of chapter 16 of ~~Act No.~~  
 12 ~~175 of the Public Acts of 1927, as added by Act No. 299 of the~~  
 13 ~~Public Acts of 1968, being section 776.20 of the Michigan Compiled~~  
 14 ~~Laws, are applicable~~ **THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, 1927 PA 175,**  
 15 **MCL 776.20, APPLIES** to this subsection.

16 Sec. 231a. (1) Subsection (2) of section 227 does not apply to  
 17 any of the following:

18 (a) To a person holding a valid license to carry a pistol  
 19 concealed upon his or her person issued by his or her state of  
 20 residence except where the pistol is carried in nonconformance with  
 21 a restriction appearing on the license.

22 (b) To the regular and ordinary transportation of pistols as  
 23 merchandise by an authorized agent of a person licensed to  
 24 manufacture firearms.

25 (c) To a person carrying an antique firearm as defined in  
 26 subsection (2), completely unloaded in a closed case or container  
 27 designed for the storage of firearms in the trunk of a vehicle.

1 (d) To a person while transporting a pistol for a lawful  
2 purpose that is licensed by the owner or occupant of the motor  
3 vehicle in compliance with section 2 of 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.422,  
4 and the pistol is unloaded in a closed case designed for the  
5 storage of firearms in the trunk of the vehicle.

6 (e) To a person while transporting a pistol for a lawful  
7 purpose that is licensed by the owner or occupant of the motor  
8 vehicle in compliance with section 2 of 1927 PA 372, MCL 28.422,  
9 and the pistol is unloaded in a closed case designed for the  
10 storage of firearms in a vehicle that does not have a trunk and is  
11 not readily accessible to the occupants of the vehicle.

12 (2) As used in this section:

13 (a) "Antique firearm" means either of the following:

14 (i) A firearm not designed or redesigned for using rimfire or  
15 conventional center fire ignition with fixed ammunition and  
16 manufactured in or before 1898, including a matchlock, flintlock,  
17 percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system or replica of  
18 such a firearm, whether actually manufactured before or after 1898.

19 (ii) A firearm using fixed ammunition manufactured in or before  
20 1898, for which ammunition is no longer manufactured in the United  
21 States and is not readily available in the ordinary channels of  
22 commercial trade.

23 (b) "Lawful purpose" includes the following:

24 (i) While en route to or from a hunting or target shooting  
25 area.

26 (ii) While transporting a pistol en route to or from his or her  
27 home or place of business and place of repair.

1           (iii) While moving goods from 1 place of abode or business to  
2 another place of abode or business.

3           (iv) While transporting a licensed pistol en route to or from a  
4 law enforcement agency ~~for the purpose of having a safety~~  
5 ~~inspection performed on the pistol as is required by section 9 of~~  
6 ~~1927 PA 372, MCL 28.429,~~ or for the purpose of having a law  
7 enforcement official take possession of the weapon.

8           (v) While en route to or from his or her abode or place of  
9 business and a gun show or places of purchase or sale.

10          (vi) While en route to or from his or her abode to a public  
11 shooting facility or public land where discharge of firearms is  
12 permitted by law, rule, regulation, or local ordinance.

13          (vii) While en route to or from his or her abode to a private  
14 property location where the pistol is to be used as is permitted by  
15 law, rule, regulation, or local ordinance.

16          Enacting section 1. Section 228 of the Michigan penal code,  
17 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.228, is repealed.

18          Enacting section 2. This amendatory act takes effect 180 days  
19 after the date it is enacted into law.

20          Enacting section 3. This amendatory act does not take effect  
21 unless all of the following bills of the 94th Legislature are  
22 enacted into law:

23           (a) Senate Bill No. 370.

24           (b) House Bill No. 4490.