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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MAY 17, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for paintball guns and
3 markers.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 6102 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding definitions to read:
8 § 6102. Definitions.

9 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent
10 provisions of this subchapter which are applicable to specific
11 provisions of this subchapter, the following words and phrases,
12 when used in this subchapter shall have, unless the context
13 clearly indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this
14 section:

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16 "Paintball gun." A device designed and manufactured to
17 propel, by gas or air, an encapsulated gelatin paintball.

1 "Paintball marker." A device designed and manufactured to
2 propel, by gas or air, an encapsulated gelatin paintball.

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4 Section 2. Section 6106.1 of Title 18 is amended by adding a
5 subsection to read:

6 § 6106.1. Carrying loaded weapons other than firearms.

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8 (a.1) Paintball guns and paintball markers.--

9 (1) Except as set forth in paragraph (2), an individual
10 may not carry a paintball gun or a paintball marker in a
11 vehicle unless one of the following apply:

12 (i) The paintball gun or paintball marker is
13 disassembled so that the propellant cannister is separate
14 from the rest of the device.

15 (ii) The propellant cannister of the paintball gun
16 or paintball marker has been emptied of its gas or air
17 propellant.

18 (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a commercial
19 paintball field, range or course where passengers are being
20 transported by the commercial field, range or course operator
21 to and from designated player areas.

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23 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.