

## HR 2038

Assault Weapons Ban and Law Enforcement Protection Act of 2003

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** May 8, 2003

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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		May 8, 2003
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Rep. Lowey, Nita M. [D-NY-18]	D · NY		May 8, 2003
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Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		May 8, 2003
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		May 8, 2003
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Rep. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ-13]	D · NJ		May 8, 2003

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Rep. Moran, James P. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		May 8, 2003
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-8]	D · NY		May 8, 2003
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Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		May 8, 2003
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Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		May 8, 2003
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		May 8, 2003
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		May 8, 2003
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-35]	D · CA		May 8, 2003
Rep. Watson, Diane E. [D-CA-33]	D · CA		May 8, 2003
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Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		May 19, 2003
Rep. Deutsch, Peter [D-FL-20]	D · FL		May 19, 2003
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Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-6]	D · NY		May 19, 2003
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Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		May 21, 2003
Rep. Lantos, Tom [D-CA-12]	D · CA		May 21, 2003
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		May 21, 2003
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		May 21, 2003
Rep. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Jun 3, 2003
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Jun 3, 2003
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Jun 3, 2003
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Jun 10, 2003
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jun 10, 2003
Rep. Abercrombie, Neil [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jun 16, 2003

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Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Jun 16, 2003
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-28]	D · NY		Jun 23, 2003
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Jul 8, 2003
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Jul 8, 2003
Rep. Matsui, Robert T. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Jul 8, 2003
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Rep. Crowley, Joseph [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Jul 17, 2003
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jul 17, 2003
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Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2003
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Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Hoyer, Steny H. [D-MD-5]	D · MD		Jul 25, 2003
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Kleczka, Gerald D. [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Sep 10, 2003
Rep. Watt, Melvin L. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Sep 24, 2003
Rep. Millender-McDonald, Juanita [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Oct 2, 2003
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Oct 2, 2003
Rep. Gephardt, Richard A. [D-MO-3]	D · MO		Oct 15, 2003
Rep. Sabo, Martin Olav [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Oct 15, 2003
Rep. Wynn, Albert Russell [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Oct 17, 2003
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Nov 18, 2003
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Jan 20, 2004
Rep. Evans, Lane [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jun 14, 2004
Rep. Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jun 14, 2004
Resident Commissioner Acevedo-Vila, Anibal [D-PR-At Large]	D · PR		Jun 14, 2004

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 25, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">108 HRES 769</a>	Procedurally related	<b>Sep 28, 2004:</b> Motion to Discharge Committee filed by Mr. Meehan. Petition No: 108-12. (<a href="http://clerk.house.gov/108/lrc/pd/Petitions/Dis12.htm">Discharge petition</a> text with signatures.)
<a href="#">108 S 1431</a>	Related bill	<b>Jul 17, 2003:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of May 8, 2003)

Assault Weapons Ban and Law Enforcement Protection Act of 2003 - Amends Federal firearms provisions to revise the definition of "semiautomatic assault weapon" (SAW) to include conversion kits (for converting a firearm to a SAW) and any semiautomatic rifle or pistol that has an ability to accept a detachable magazine and that has any one of the following characteristics, respectively: (1) a folding or telescoping stock, a threaded barrel, a pistol grip, a forward grip, or a barrel shroud; or (2) a second pistol grip, a threaded barrel, a barrel shroud, or the capacity to accept a detachable magazine at a location outside of the pistol grip.

Amends: (1) the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act to reauthorize the assault weapons ban and add new restrictions; and (2) the Public Safety and Recreational Firearms Use Protection Act to repeal the sunset provision regarding restrictions on large capacity ammunition feeding devices (LCAFDs) and on specified SAWs.

Modifies the exemptions from the Brady Act's prohibition against manufacturing, transferring, or possessing a semiautomatic assault weapon to exclude: (1) specified firearms, or replicas or duplicates, as manufactured on October 1, 1993; (2) any semiautomatic rifle that cannot accept a detachable magazine that holds more than five rounds; and (3) any semiautomatic shotgun that cannot hold more than five rounds in a fixed or detachable magazine.

Prohibits the transfer of a SAW except through a licensed dealer or a State or local law enforcement agency, subject to specified requirements. Directs the Attorney General to: (1) establish and maintain a record of the make, model, and date of manufacture of any SAW which the Attorney General is made aware has been used in relation to a crime, and of the nature and circumstances of the crime involved; and (2) annually submit the record to Congress and make the record available to the public.

Prohibits: (1) the transfer of any assault weapon with an LCAFD; and (2) a licensed manufacturer, importer, or dealer who transfers an LCAFD that was manufactured on or before September 13, 1994, from failing to certify to the Attorney General, within 60 days of the transfer date, that the device was manufactured on or before that date. Sets penalties for violations.

Prohibits: (1) the transfer of a SAW or an LCAFD to a juvenile; and (2) the importation of an LCAFD.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 21, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H4618)
- **Mar 29, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1614)
- **Mar 16, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1097)
- **Mar 2, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H729)
- **Feb 24, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H539)
- **Jun 25, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **May 9, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E906)
- **May 8, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **May 8, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **May 8, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.