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**53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2018**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIME; CREATING THE CRIME OF UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF  
A RATE OF FIRE ACCELERATOR; PROVIDING A PENALTY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 7 NMSA  
1978 is enacted to read:

"~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A RATE OF FIRE  
ACCELERATOR.--

A. Unlawful possession of a rate of fire  
accelerator consists of a person knowingly possessing a firearm  
accessory or any other device, part or combination of parts  
that is designed or functions to accelerate the rate of fire of  
a semiautomatic firearm.

B. A person who commits unlawful possession of a  
rate of fire accelerator is guilty of a fourth degree felony.

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C. For the purpose of this section:

(1) "semiautomatic firearm" means a firearm that:

(a) uses a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract a fired cartridge case and to chamber the next round; and

(b) requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge; and

(2) "person" does not include the state or a subdivision of the state."