

1 S.329

2 Introduced by Senators McCormack, Clarkson, Hardy, Hooker and Ingram

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Crimes; carrying a firearm while under the influence of alcohol or  
6 drugs

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to prohibit  
8 carrying a firearm while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

9 An act relating to prohibiting carrying a firearm while under the influence  
10 of alcohol or drugs

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 4023 is added to read:

13 § 4023. CARRYING A FIREARM WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF  
14 ALCOHOL OR DRUGS

15 (a) A person shall not carry a firearm while the person is under the  
16 influence of alcohol or under the influence of any other drug. A person who  
17 violates this section shall be imprisoned for not more than one year or fined not  
18 more than \$1,000.00, or both.

19 (b) As used in this section:

1           (1) “Firearm” has the same meaning as in subsection 4017(d) of this  
2           title.

3           (2) “Under the influence of alcohol” and “under the influence of any  
4           other drug” have the same meaning as in 23 V.S.A. § 1201.

5           Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

6           This act shall take effect on passage.