

SIMPLE BUT LETHAL DEVICES TURN SEMI-AUTO GUNS INTO ILLEGAL MACHINE GUNS: **BAN THEM**



5X

increase in the number of modified guns seized by ATF in the past 5 years: 31K total



\$20

the cost of buying “glock switches” online, often from Russia or China



1,200

rounds per minute can be fired from handguns modified with a machine gun switch

Multiple devices exist to turn regular semi-automatic guns into fully-automatic illegal machine guns. “Bump stocks” are used on rifles. “Glock Switches” are a piece of plastic about the size of a nickel that fit right into the 9 mm Glock handgun. They allow the weapon to fire off an entire magazine in a single pull of the trigger, creating a hand-held, DIY machine gun.

“Switches” can be 3D-printed or easily and cheaply purchased online. Banning these devices would help law enforcement crack down on the spread of these fatal firearm modifications that are increasingly being used in crime and attacks on law enforcement officers.

MORE FACTS



Glock switches are especially dangerous because they combine the extreme lethality and inaccuracy of a machine gun with the concealability of a handgun – making them ideal for people who want to inflict as much damage as quickly and indiscriminately as possible.



Law enforcement officers are particularly endangered by machine gun conversion devices. The 2023 killing of Brackenridge Police Chief Justin McIntire in the line of duty was committed by a felon armed with a switch-modified firearm.



These devices are already illegal at the federal level, but enforcement capacity is extremely limited at the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), so banning these modifications in Pennsylvania would open up additional law enforcement capacity to stop these deadly weapons.




Three+ states – Indiana, Louisiana, and Virginia – have passed laws banning Glock switches, with Mississippi and others also poised to do so.

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