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City Council Sacramento, California 95814

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 48.02 TO TITLE 48 OF THE SACRAMENTO CITY CODE, RELATING TO THE SALE OF 'SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIALS,' ALSO KNOWN AS "JUNK GUNS."

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-wide

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the item be passed for publication of title, pursuant to City Charter Section 32, and continued to December 9, 1997.

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: December 2, 1997

SUMMARY:

Staff is proposing the adoption of an ordinance that would allow the City to prohibit the sales of "Saturday Night Specials." These types of weapons are frequently used in criminal activity due to their inexpensive cost, compact size, and easy concealment. However, "Saturday Night Specials" are inferior in manufacture quality and lack sufficient safety devices.

Respectfully submitted,

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