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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – To combat the tragedy of gun violence throughout the state, **Representative Campbell (D-Fort Lauderdale)** and **Senator Osgood (D-Fort Lauderdale)** filed **House Bill 883** and **Senate Bill 368**. This proposal will classify firearms modified to have fire rates which mimic machine gun fire as machine guns. Following in line with the 2018 ban on bump stocks, items which allow for semi-automatic guns to utilize automatic firing, by closing a loophole which allowed for the possession and discharging of an already modified firearm this bill will help keep dangerous illegally modified firearm off the streets.

"As we continue to see acts of violence on our school campuses, churches, and supermarkets, we must ensure that prevention is part of the solution. By closing this loophole, those who seek to circumvent the law will be held accountable," said **Representative Campbell**.

"When the issue of Glock switches was raised by Broward State Attorney Harold Pryor in a recent Broward Legislative Delegation Public Hearing, I knew it was something I needed to react to by filing a bill to make this needed change," stated **Senator Osgood**. "With the dramatic rise in gun violence and mass shootings, this bill is a step in the right direction."