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Subject: Fwd: Bill 1094..[spelling corrections, late..sorry]

Hi Michael, just making sure my letter arrived? Posted?

Hello from Andrew S. Gordon

I am very much opposed to the knee jerk reactionary bill aimed at firearms magazines holding over 10 rounds.

I am not a criminal. I have never broken any laws.

I have never been to jail, or arrested in 53+ years.

I don't drink any alcoholic beverages, I don't smoke, or do drugs.

However, I collect WW2 era U.S. small arms, as does my son, an active duty U.S. Marine, deployed overseas.

One of the classic weapons we collect is the U.S. .30 M1 carbine, well known to WW2 and Korean veterans.

This short rifle is equipped with a detachable 15, or 30 round magazine. There is no 10 round magazine for it.

In searching for over 30 years, [as a federally licensed collector of curios and relics], which the "war baby" is a C&R, I have found 5 all original examples.

I choose not to fire mine, as I collect them, and study them. They are a true miracle in U.S. workmanship under wartime stress.

Winchester [CT], General Motors [Inland Division, and Saginaw Steering Gear] , IBM Corporation, Quality Hardware and Machine Co., Standard Products, Rock-Ola Corporation, Underwood-Elliott Fisher [Hartford], and National Postal Meter produced over 7,000,000 in WW2. Not that many survive in original condition today.

The US government has sold thousands to law abiding citizens through the CMP. [Civilian Marksmanship Program]

This bill 1094, would if passed as written, make myself, and my son, as well as thousands of other law abiding..[not criminal] collectors, and shooters instant felons, if we don't surrender these WW2 era magazines, rendering the carbines useless.

This is insanity. Please reconsider this useless act. It stops no criminals...just patriotic American collectors, and shooters, remembering The Greatest Generation.

Andy Gordon, Bolton, CT