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RE: Senate Bill 1094 restriction of magazine capacity to 10

I am a General and Vascular Surgeon practicing in Stamford, Ct for the last 24 years. I have a State Permit to Carry Pistols and Revolvers. In order to obtain that permit, I was fingerprinted and had a FBI background check.

I have a constitutional right to protect myself and my family. What scientific evidence is there that limiting a magazine to 10 will benefit society? You are trying to take away the rights of law abiding citizens. Making it illegal will not stop criminals from getting larger magazine.

A hand gun is for personal protection. How many people on this committee have ever fired a hand gun on a shooting range? It is not like what you see on tv or the movies where actors are hitting targets 200 feet away while they are diving and rolling around. A hand gun is only for self defense as a last resort when there is no other options available.

If you want to limit the magazine to 10, the criminal will carry extra magazines. The criminal will also have no regard to this law and will carry a larger magazine anyway.

In the over 20 years of doing trauma surgery at The Stamford Hospital, I have never seen a case where a limit of the number of bullets in a magazine would have made a difference.

I am appalled that this bill has even been proposed.

Thank you for taking the time to read and discuss my opinion.

Sincerely,

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