

The 24th Amendment states that our right to vote shall not be abridged and this state has gone to great pains to make voting as free from infringement as possible...the 2nd Amendment states our right to bear arms shall not be infringed...yet the state of CT has gone in the opposite direction, violating the US Constitution. If the state of CT wants us to have a permit to carry/own then the state of CT has to offer it for free, including the background checks and other obstacles it is set up.

Sec. 32 of SB #1076 is very troubling. How is the registering of all guns going to prevent another Sandy Hook...or for that matter make us all safe? It isn't. There has never been a need to know before now...why do you need to know? This is an invasion of our privacy.

Sec. 33 The restrictions on ammunition, again infringes on my right to bear arms...something the state is forbidden to do, as noted above.

All of the requirements in order to register a firearm, or the frequency of how often one has to go through a permitting or registering process, are just to add to the degree of discomfort for one to exercise their 2nd Amendment Right...none of it was a factor in the Sandy Hook tragedy, none of it will stop another mass shooting, none of it will make us any safer.

With that being said I also oppose all proposed legislation that infringes on our right to bear arms...whether it is an age restriction SB # 505, SB #506 requiring notification to the police or warden, etc., of our town, along with SB #897 and SB #6251 (both on the same grounds as SB #506)

Furthermore SB #1071 is ridiculous and appears to only be to generate revenue for the state...exactly how will this stop any tragedy?

With every gun bill that comes before you, you need to ask yourself at least these three questions:

1. Is this Constitutional – US and CT?
2. How will this prevent another Sandy Hook tragedy?
3. Will this limit a citizen of CT from being able to defend themselves from an attacker(s)?

Because none of the proposed bills (that I have read) will create the outcome you are looking for...stopping another Sandy Hook tragedy, or keep us safer...I strongly urge you to reject them all, they don't even deserve a vote.

I remind you all of your responsibility and your oath...to protect our rights...all of them. You cannot pick and choose which ones you are to follow...you follow them all. If someone does not want to exercise their right to self-protection, that is their choice, they do not have the right to take mine away.