

Written Testimony, to **Oppose** Proposed Bills

SB 299, SB 505, SB 506, SB710, SB897 and SB1076

HB 6162, HB 6251, HB 6595 and HB 6598

Members of the Public Safety and Security Committee,

I am a lifelong Resident and "Voter" of Our Great" Constitution State of Connecticut.

I am and always have been an avid licensed outdoorsman and sport shooter and I am Deeply Concerned with the Ramifications of the proposed bills as forth mentioned, being that their impact on Violent Crime, Criminals and the Mentally Deranged will be realistically miniscule if nonexistent!

This information is backed by not only governmental and independent studies but by history.

In passing of any one of these bills you will succeed in doing nothing more than trampling the inalienable rights of "Your Constituents" set forth in Constitution of the United States of America, the fabric of our Nation!

Some of the most intelligent men on earth, Our forefathers, Warned us of the attempts on Our rights that could be expected throughout the writings of the Constitution and Bill of Rights as well as all their personal memoirs, which brings to mind a painting by Jon McNaughton, titled, The Forgotten Man; I feel it in everyone on the committees best interest to take a long hard look at, I didn't put much stock in it when first displayed although in today's light it becomes relevant.

We no longer have truthful news, and the only historical examples of gun control always ended disastrously for the People, we all know how History has a way of repeating itself due to ignorance, about the same type of Debacle that befell the arrangement of the U.S. Congress after the passing of the "Assault Weapons Ban" in 1994, this being a very good indicator of the Reaction should that same or similar situation arise in Connecticut!

In closing I will state that other than when in use or being carried a secured firearm is a safe fire arm, I will not discuss "Secure" that falls under common sense which there seems to be so little of these days!, in other words had Ms. Lanza kept her firearms as every Law Abiding person I know including myself does, the events of that day Would Not Have Happened!

Thank You

Sincerely,

Scott E. Berg