

March 13, 2013

RE: SB 505, SB 506, SB 710, SB 1071, SB 6162, HB 6251 and SB 1076

Dear Committee Members:

I do not support these bills since they would not stop the violence seen recently in Connecticut. They seem to be feel good legislation giving the public a false sense of security. In reality it will do nothing to stop crimes with firearms. Most of these proposed laws will add a burden on both the State and law abiding citizen.

May I remind you the Constitution of the State of Connecticut reads "SEC. 15. Every citizen has a right to bear arms in defense of himself and the state." By enacting the proposed draconian SB 1076 this will no longer be the case since people will not be able to afford to own a firearm. If you look to the north Canada's gun registration system does not work and it cost the government approximately 66.4 million dollars a year to implement. What will it cost Connecticut? What will it cost me?

I support legislation that will increase penalties for people who use firearms while committing a crime and keeping the out of the hands of people with mental defects as it seems happened in Newtown. I haven't seen anyone propose registration for people with mental defects so they will be unable to purchase a firearm using the present laws we have. Just proposed laws, making it more difficult law abiding citizens of Connecticut to own a firearm in Connecticut.

Please let this be clear I am a registered Democrat, strong supporter of our government, police departments, victim rights and punishing criminals, but I do not support increase legislation that erode my rights given to me by my God and both the Constitution of the United States of America and the great State of Connecticut. Please do not support these bills. Thank you.

Sincerely;



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