

Submission for Public Hearing March 14, 2013: gun safety legislation

Dear Committee Members,

As a public school teacher who teaches five miles from Sandy Hook Elementary School, I wish to express my enthusiastic support for the proposed gun safety legislation. We clearly are enduring a crisis in public safety and a public health epidemic. Over 90,000 Americans were shot last year: 31,000 deaths, over 3,000 children buried. Nearly 300 will be shot today. We regulate cars and toys but not guns? There are limitations on all constitutional guarantees (speech can't be libelous or endanger others, or incite to riot) but continuous firearm carnage on our streets and now in our first grade classrooms is permissible? This is an international embarrassment. And certainly enhanced civil and criminal penalties for noncompliance are necessary to afford any real measure of compliance.

In reviewing the information regarding the following RAISED BILLS, I support, and ask you to do the same. I thank you for the time and effort you are putting into this process.

Raised Bill #1076

Ban assault weapons as there is NO reason that the general population should be in possession of weapons of mass destruction

1. ALL guns, long or short, required to have trigger locks.
2. All guns, long or short, should require permits/AND **background checks**.

Raised Bill# 1071

1. Tax firearm manufacturers and importers
2. Give money from tax to victims of crimes committed using guns

Raised Bill #6251

1. Just because the NRA sees this as an "infringement" on someone's right to keeping lethal weapons in their homes, I do **NOT**.

Raised Bill #6595

1. If anything is common sense, this is: No discharging of firearms within 500 feet of a residence

Respectfully, and in the memory of the 28 people who died on 12/14/12,
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