

Unable to attend in person I wish to submit by way of this email my testimony

The bills proposed today do not go far enough. I support the need for a ban on military style weapons, a ban on high capacity ammunition magazines, and a restriction on the number of guns owned, universal background checks, registration of all guns with annual renewal, a requirement for permit to purchase and carry guns and ammunition and limited handgun sales to one per month.

I have a son in elementary school and worry for his safety but on a wider level I worry for the safety of all Americans. This society has become complacent regarding guns, with more gun related deaths per capita than South Africa and the rest of the developed world. With enough guns owned that if shared out between all Americans 80% could have a gun this must be a time to change. When a citizen feels the need to own a gun to protect themselves something is wrong. Please do not let another tragedy like Sandy Hook take place again, let's not think that gun crime isn't something that is acceptable. The rest of the developed world doesn't let this happen. We need change and those children can't have died in vain!