I feel this Ammo Tax will put an unfair burden and prohibit low to middle income citizens from using a right. This just as bad as making a poll tax to vote. I am one of the good gun owners who makes good decisions without being told to do them but I do them because I feel like I’m entitled to the second amendment as a calm citizen who has never committed a crime but I also feel like I owe it to the public to be as responsible and safe I as possibly can. That is the reason why I travel to the Sig Sauer Academy in New Hampshire where many in law enforcement train also. I do this to keep my skills sharp and have experienced instructors constantly drilling safety into my head and making me a more competent gun owner. We normally fire 500 to 1000 rounds in an 8 hour class. I normally go up 4 times a year but this law would make it difficult to keep up on high level training. I may be doing well in life but I still have to operate in a budget to account for taxes, bills, food and family. I would have to cut back on training to be able to afford to pay a 35 percent ammo tax. This bill to increase the tax would result in a less trained gun community making our state less safe which is confusing since many Anti-Gun advocates say that training should be mandatory. Why would Anti-Gun people want to make it harder to train? The other point is that there are people who carry but don’t have a lot of extra money and will not be able to afford this. The people who normally are the perpetrators of violent mass shootings will not be burdened at all. I feel like this law is aimed at lawful low to middle income people who only want to use a constitutional right to protect themselves.

I do believe there are things that can be done to combat gun violence, but I feel we need to use a scalpel instead of a chainsaw. We should not make laws that are also going to target good people who have no intention of harming innocent people.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO READ THIS.

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