

I strongly oppose the oppressive firearms bills that the legislature is now considering.

These bills will make hundreds of thousands of law abiding citizens into criminals. Do you think that everyone will quietly comply if these bills were adopted into law? I can tell you for certain, the answer is no. It would be an assault on their Constitutional rights. As with any human movement, there are some that will comply, many will resist to varying degrees, and some that will resist to the extreme. In New York there is an active resistance and non-compliance to the new legislation. In Canada, as a result of over-regulation of firearms, 70% to 80% of firearm owners refused to comply. The regulations were dropped.

So what would be the result of passage of these bills? The police and prisons will be overloaded. Would you incorporate house-to-house searches for contraband? That will lead to confrontations. A show of force? That would be disastrous. The cost of court cases and incarceration of thousands of additional former law abiding citizens-turned-criminal would be staggering.

What about “brain drain”? I am a research engineer here in CT. My company designs and builds technology to bring water to the deserts, to recover wasted energy, many technologies to make a more efficient and greener planet. If these bills that will make me a criminal for owning legal guns are passed into law, I will sell my house and move away from this state. I would discourage any gun owners from moving here. I will not be the only one. Many engineers and technicians where I work will move away also. This is just one company of thousands in this state where the same will happen. For a state that wants to focus on high tech research and manufacturing, this would be disastrous.

What about the gun industry? Will they move away? They employ close to 8,000 people directly. Cabela’s will probably leave, as well as many small manufacturers and firearms-related industries.

The economic repercussions of these oppressive firearms laws will be staggering.

It has always been a gauge of a law, that if an honest, law abiding citizen does nothing and the law makes him a criminal, then it is a bad law.

Please don’t pass these bad laws.

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