

I would like to take this opportunity to offer testimony and thank all of you for your service to our State and everything you have done for us as public servants. I am writing to you today to express my concern over the issues in our country surrounding firearms and our second amendment rights. As you know, Connecticut has some of the toughest gun control laws in the country and has its own definition of an assault weapon as well as a ban. The purpose of my testimony today is to strongly urge you to NOT support ANY legislation or measures that would add to the existing firearms laws in our State. I do not want you to support restrictions on magazines, taxes on ammunition or classifying weapons based on cosmetic characteristics rather than a select fire function, the true test and definition of an assault weapon.

Banning magazines and weapons is a knee jerk reaction that does nothing to address the failure of our mental health care and criminal justice system. There is nothing you or I can do to bring those children back or comfort a grieving parent. We can however take concrete steps today to protect children in school and that starts with armed security and a plan of action to deal with armed threats.

The second amendment is under attack as never before and I urge all of you to uphold your sworn oath to defend the constitution. Making law abiding gun owners criminals with new laws and restrictions is no way to solve this problem.

I do however agree that more effort must be made to address the mental health issues in our nation as well as incarceration of violent criminals.

Thank you

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