

I have heard of some of the proposals to curb gun violence in Ct and the country and I have to say I oppose almost everything I've heard thus far. It sounds to me like a lot of feel good proposals but nothing addressing the real issue. I am not a gun owner.

The problem we have is we don't enforce current laws (period). How about proposing stiffer penalties for violation of current laws. Maybe (if the White House) was really serious about curbing gun violence they'd make an example of the Fast and Furious debacle by doling out severe penalties for that kind of blatant disregard for the gun laws.

Dare I say we don't enforce our immigration laws either. I know it is unpopular to use the phrase illegal immigrant. It is not meant to be offensive but rather describes the status of a person or persons relative to existing immigration laws. My point is with feel good legislation it seems our politicians pick and choose the laws they'd like to see enforced... And that is bad legislation!

I know the argument will be made these laws are intended to stop these mass killings - that is a noble intention for sure. But illegal guns on the streets obtained by criminals intent on using said guns with only the intent of committing crimes is - I would argue - the area that should be focused on. Why focus on legal gun ownership / owners that I bet statistics would prove out are NOT responsible for the majority of gun related killings.

This is a tough assignment! Don't take the easy way out with proposals that make us feel good but don't address the real issues. Lets not be like the state of NY that past legislation in a hurry so they could take advantage of the feelings surrounding the horrific Newtown tragedy. Making decisions in very emotional states usually does not make for good decisions.

Thank you for giving a forum to express my view.