

Dear Governor Malloy,

I am writing to you today to express my deep concerns over Lawmaker's recommendations to limit ammunition magazine capacity to 10 rounds or less and to confiscate any related firearms.

These proposals go beyond what is reasonable in the wake of Sandy Hook and go beyond the Commission's mandate.

These proposals amount to nothing more than a full assault on law-abiding citizen's while exercising their second amendment rights.

These proposals put law-abiding citizens at a grave disadvantage to criminals, who will not comply with the ammunition magazine or firearm restrictions because criminals will still be able to access illegal ammunition magazines and firearms. Criminals have and use magazines and firearms without any limitation in capacity and can also presumably get even more illegal guns, say fully automatic assault rifles.

As a Connecticut resident and legal gun owner, I am asking that more reasonable actions be taken such as the measures recently passed in Colorado, the state of the Aurora movie theater shooting, where the Governor signed a law banning ammunition magazines that can carry more than 15 rounds, and eight shotgun shells and expanded background checks to include sales and transfers between private parties and online purchases.

Yes, there was a call to action in the wake of Sandy Hook but unfortunately, I don't believe that stricter gun control is the right answer. It certainly is not the ONLY answer. To solve the problem of violence, Lawmakers need to spend more time and effort working on real solutions that will provide educational and economic alternatives to individuals prone to gangs, drugs and violence and to work on strengthening the mental health system that may someday identify, diagnose, treat and isolate sick and unstable individuals such as Adam Lanza and the Aurora suspect if they really want to do something.

Sincerely,

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