

Dear State Legislators,

This is the first time I have written to the CT Legislators. After the horrific incident in Newtown I knew that I needed to make my voice louder on gun control and mental illness. Something "great" MUST come out of the loss of these great people and children. I hope and pray that politics can move to the wayside to do what is right for our nation and our future.

I AM SUPPORTING THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA PUT FORTH BY CAGV, WHICH INCLUDES: a ban on high capacity ammunition magazines (no grandfathering); a strengthening of assault weapons ban (no grandfathering); requirement of permits and universal background checks on ALL sales and transfers of guns, including long guns; requirement of registration of handguns with annual renewal; requirement of annual fee and annual background check for all handguns owned; requirement that the owner stipulate that the guns are still in their possession or explain how the gun was transferred to another person; require safety inspection every three years; making gun owners liable for negligent storage if any person gains access to firearms and injures himself or another person or causes damage to property - the violation would be a Class D felony; a ban on the right of way for transportation of firearms and ammunition bought over the Internet; taxing ammunition sales and requirement of a license/permit to purchase any gun or ammunition; restriction of handgun sales to one gun/month.

I also support changes to the care of those with mental illness. This MUST be addressed as well, but controlling guns in a rational way is a first start!

Thanks,
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