

Hello,

My name is Michael Barber. And I am against the current proposed gun legislation. There are too many to list individually so I am giving a generalized statement about the bills in whole.

Every single piece of Legislation I have seen to date, has been the knee jerk reaction of our elected officials to do "something" about the tragedy at Sandy Hook. The fact is, there is enough gun legislation enacted right now. And there is no current or newly proposed legislature that would have stopped the loss of life that day.

Limiting the magazine capacity will do nothing to stop any violence. gunfacts.info states that the number of rounds fired by a criminal during a shoot out with a high capacity magazine averages 2.53 rounds, where criminals who had a revolver (6-8 round capacity) fired around 2.04 on average. Most times there is not enough time in a shoot out to even have to come close to reloading.

Registration of firearms also serves no purpose other than the eventual confiscation of personal firearms or taxation. Personally I hope more for the latter. There is something inherently wrong with the government knowing where every firearm is located. Every year we hear about social security numbers being stolen from business and government computers either from loss or theft. Now what is to stop someone from stealing that same gun list and knowing where all the guns are, not? There is no legitimate reason for the government to need gun owners information. The second amendment gives us, the people, a check against a tyrannical government.

The RIGHT to own and keep a firearm is in our constitution. And as a public servant you have given an oath to defend that constitution from both foreign and DOMESTIC enemies. You should do what is right to maintain the constitution as it is written.

In closing, the proposed bills are only going to limit the capacity for Law abiding citizens to exercise their 2nd amendment rights. We need to focus our priorities on securing our schools from people like Adam Lanza or enabling the citizens to be able to defend themselves EVERYWHERE. Not just in their own homes. There is no Status Quo in a "gun free Zone". Thank you for your time. I would be happy to discuss this matter further, my contact information can be found below.

Thank You,

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