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I oppose all of the bills that limit availability of firearms and accessories whether they are about banning, registration, purchase and taxation of ammunition, ammunition capacity and action type.

This hearing centers around the mass killings in Newtown CT, Aurora CO and upstate New York during which firemen were shot. As a result ^{now} we may feel that ^{now} we must "do something". It is important to underscore the fact that these crimes were committed by individuals with serious mental issues – not by law abiding citizens who use firearms for sport, recreation and self defense. purposes regardless of type of gun and ammunition capacity.

These bills seek to punish the innocent and will do nothing to reduce crime since the only people that would obey these legislative proposals are law abiding citizens; criminals don't obey laws.

Existing laws as they now exist should be strictly enforced and background checks in connection with purchase of firearms should be thorough.

I am a gun owner and have owned firearms most of my life. I am a member of the NRA, Connecticut Defense League and Gun Owners of America and a law abiding citizen with no criminal record. I have enjoyed the freedom afforded me by the Second Amendment and want to see these freedoms continue into future generations. I feel that as legislators your role is to preserve this freedom and not enact emotionally charged legislation that would not do anything to reduce crime.

Thank you