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Representative Rutigliano.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message. I have received your e-mail detailing the different public meetings that are being held by the Connecticut Legislature. Were my work schedule more flexible, I would certainly take the opportunity to go in person and hopefully be able to speak.

I would say a couple things. First, I do not believe at all in this process. I think that having meetings on reducing 'gun violence' is as ridiculous as hosting public meetings to introduce legislation aimed at reducing violence. I believe it is a farce to think any legislation can reduce violence of any kind.

I strongly believe there should be laws regarding ownership and use of guns. We have many of these already enacted in Connecticut.

I believe the government should not try and legislate us out of our rights, and clearly, that is where certain elected officials are headed. There is no reason to have a law making Connecticut Citizens a felon because they have a firearm which is designed to hold more than 1 bullet. There is no reason to have a 50% tax on all ammunition.

Having a 15-round magazine of ammunition as illegal, yet two 10-round magazines are perfectly acceptable, is another example of current proposals which I feel serve to only move us towards a San Francisco, New York City, or Chicago lifestyle.

Those above-stated reasons are why I don't trust elected officials when trying to come up with new laws restricting ownership of firearms. It would take a lot to convince me that new legislation is in my best interest, as opposed to against it.

Let me be clear. I will, always and forever, vote against any person who tries to enact such a set of schemes.

I believe the new catch-phrase is to enact 'common-sense' legislation. Mostly anything can be made to sound like 'common-sense' when we don't talk about the background or history.

The news-media is excessively biased against personal ownership of guns. They never report when someone's life or property has been saved with by legally owning and properly using a firearm. There is real danger in this world brought by naturally violent people. It is unreasonable to think that any citizen can protect their home and family with a 1-round gun when 2 or more criminals initiate a home invasion.

Thank you for your time and allowing me to express my opinions.
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