

Please do not vote for gun control laws that profile, prejudice, punish and criminalize MILLIONS of law abiding citizens. Restrictions on semi-automatic rifles of any kind, and normal capacity magazines will only reduce the law abiding citizens ability to defend their lives and the lives of their precious children. Criminals do not follow laws and will still have them, and THEY are the problem. NOT law abiding citizens.

The AR15 rifle is just a hunting rifle that is black in color and has plastic cosmetic parts that uninformed people think look scary. It is not a "high powered" cartridge, most hunting rounds are twice as powerful. The AR15, or any other rifle, is involved in only 2.6% of gun related crime. Banning semiautomatic rifles is punishing the majority for the actions of a few. This is as un-American of a concept as you can get. Innocent until proven guilty. I much like 99.9% of law abiding citizens will never harm another non life threatening person with our firearms. Studies have shown that concealed carry permit holders are LESS likely to commit a crime than the average citizen.

I think the energy that is being put into demonizing law abiding firearms owners would be much better expended where it will actually do good. A long look at our criminal justice system and mental health services to perpetuate improvements is needed. These are the people that use firearms for evil purposes.

Thank you for your valuable time,
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