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#### White House Aims To Shut Down Ammunition Sales While Dems Claim To Engage In Good Faith Gun Talks

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While Democrats claim to engage in talks on <u>bipartisan gun legislation</u> in good faith, the White House is aiming behind the scenes to shut down nationwide ammunition sales.

In northwestern Missouri, a major government-owned ammunition plant is now facing closure as the Biden administration escalates its war on American gun owners, The Federalist has learned.

The Lake City ammunition factory is one of the largest manufacturers of M855/SS109 ammo which is the most popular caliber for the most targeted firearm in the country: the AR-15. In operation since 1941 to produce ammunition for the U.S. Army, the government contracts with the private firm Winchester to run the enterprise and sell any excess supplies on the open market. The plant also produces XM855 and XM193 ammunition.

Mark Oliva, a spokesman for the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF), told The Federalist "Winchester was informed that the government is considering restricting the manufacturing and commercial sale of legal ammunition produced at the Lake City, Mo., facility."

Such restrictions, Oliva said, would place 400 to 500 jobs in immediate jeopardy, reduce available ammunition in the market, and sever the nation's wartime readiness.

"This policy to deny the sale of excess ammunition not only would freeze over 30 percent of the 5.56mm/.223 caliber ammunition used by law-abiding gun owners," Oliva said, "it risks the ammunition industry's ability to surge production capacity for national defense if the costs to maintain the present workforce isn't recouped through sales to the civilian market."

The White House did not respond to The Federalist's request for comment.

In 2015, the Obama/Biden administration sought to prohibit sales of M855/SS109, also known as "green tip ammo," through a <u>backdoor bureaucratic ban</u> with the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF). The ATF tried to amend the definition of the popular ammo — which is <u>far less lethal</u> than other types of common rifle ammunition on the market — as "armor-piercing" to fit a federal statute warranting restrictions. The ensuing controversy led to the early retirement of ATF Director B. Todd Jones, who became the first ATF chief to step down since the position required Senate confirmation, <u>according</u> to the National Rifle Association.

Behind-the-scenes gun laws are a favorite pattern of President Biden, whose administration has overseen a <u>500</u> percent spike in firearm retail licensure revocations over typos.

Meanwhile, on Sunday, a group of bipartisan senators — which included at least 10 Republicans and would pass the threshold to overcome a filibuster — announced an agreement for a framework on new gun legislation promoting "red flag" laws and expanded background checks. Details of the bill remain in flux as senators also pledge more money for school safety and mental health resources. The framework has drawn support from Republican Minority Leader Mitch McConnell.

Turbulence in negotiations surfaced Thursday, however, when Texas Republican Sen. John Cornyn, who initially endorsed the proposal, walked out on Capitol Hill.

"It's fish or cut bait," Cornyn told reporters, according to The Guardian while other senators remained negotiating. "I don't know what they have in mind, but I'm through talking." Cornyn said he had not abandoned talks but for now, is headed back to Texas.

The Biden administration's plan to take an ax to the nation's ammo supplies, however, threatens to further undermine efforts in the Senate on a compromise as Democrats reveal their true intentions.

"This policy of ceasing the sale of excess ammunition is ill-timed and jeopardizes the fragile negotiations of the framework deal that was agreed to by the bipartisan group of senators," Oliva told The Federalist. "Senators specifically requested the White House allow the Senate negotiate in good faith and without interference to arrive at their agreement."

Days before Democrat lawmakers <u>touted</u> the reform effort's resources for mental health, Connecticut Sen.

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As Federalist Senior Editor David Harsanyi <u>points out</u>, however, "in virtually every recent shooting, from Parkland to Uvalde, the murderer exhibited violent antisocial behavior that was crying out for intervention."



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#### LIBERTY NOTES

By Kevin L. Jamison

It is a Good Day for Liberty.

The Red Cross reports a severe blood shortage. There is always a blood shortage and the pandemic and economic problems have made it worse. Give a little blood and wear your Second Amendment shirt or button when you do. I gave blood recently and wore my "Guns Save Lives" button. The guy on the table across from me gave me a thumbs up. Every little bit helps.

A group of Democrat and Republican senators have come up with a framework for a gun bill. They call it a compromise; it is not. We get nothing from it. It takes from us. The details are set forth elsewhere. It is disappointing that our Senator Blunt is one of the conspirators. Senator Blunt appeared on a the Pete Mundo conservative radio show (710 on AM) to defend the proposal. It is discouraging that he started by saying that the Second Amendment Preservation Act prevents the federal government from enforcing federal laws. The SAPA only prevents Missouri LEO's from helping enforce federal gun laws, and then only if there is no equivalent Missouri law. He said that Red Flag laws would recognize due process of law. This is nonsense. The essence of Red Flag laws is that a citizen's property is taken then he must prove that he deserves to have it back. There is no possible way that it can recognize due process rights. Senator Blunt calls this reform. It is the narrow edge of a wedge to chisel off more of our rights. The usual suspects are calling it a "good first step." It is not the first step. Gun owners compromised on every restriction in the twentieth century. We will not suffer more of our rights to be taken until: 1. They state what rights they will never take. 2. If someone else tries to take those rights will they stand with us to defend them. 3. Why should we believe them? Gun owners have supported Senator Blunt for as long as I can remember. He is retiring and does not need us anymore. And so, he kicks us to the curb.

This "framework" is not a bill. There is disagreement over the wording of the bill. There may be more disagreement over the final wording. We have to encourage that disagreement. We must write to our senators; both of them. Josh Hawley has said that he is our side. Encourage him to convince other senators. Blunt has supported this framework. He might be convinced. If we can lessen his enthusiasm that might help.

June 3d, 2022 was a nationwide anti-gun rally. In Kansas City Grandparents Against Gun Violence staged a rally at Gillham Park on the Plaza. At the last WMSA General Membership meeting it was decided to have a counterpresence. In the event there were 50 of the usual suspects and four of us. This was my fault. It was decided on short notice and extra effort was not made to get the word around. We tried to talk to the Grandparents; very few would talk to us. A man strode up to me and said that I was on the side of the Uvalde killer. I told him that was nonsense and he knew it. No one is on the side of that little scum. He tossed off another bon mot that did not catch and turned away. I asked him if he knew what stopped the killing. He walked away. Of course this killing stopped, like all other massacres, because a good guy with a gun killed the little scum. In no case has a mass killer decided that's enough massacre for one day and went home. A few have surrendered; at gunpoint. One lady told me that there had to be background checks. She was genuinely surprised when I told her that we have had background checks for over twenty-five years. Some of the grandparents did not believe us. One told me that self-defense was a myth; it did not happen. I told her that I had clients who acted in self-defense and I had done so in a small way. She then said it was largely a myth. She retreated into the bosom of her crowd and would soon be convinced that we were lying to her. One woman identified herself as a teacher and protested that she did not want to have a gun. We tried to explain to her that no proposal for arming teachers would force her to have a gun. They all, every one, call for volunteers to take advanced training. She listened but did not believe us. One woman demanded that we answer questions and then shouted over us when we tried to answer. Another shouted "bull sh-t" to everything we said. There were not enough of us to make a difference.

We are losing the emotional fight. It is not enough to be right. We have to show the numbers to influence politicians.

"You can give peace a chance. I'll cover you if it doesn't work."

I saw a movie "Bloody Hell." It starts out with the hero thwarting a murderous bank robbery. He kills one robber and then others. He kills one who seems to be surrendering, it happens quickly as these things always do making it difficult to be absolutely sure. He makes a deal with the final robber to release a hostage and leave. This might be what is happening when he suddenly shoots the robber whose shotgun falls to the floor, discharges, and kills an innocent bank employee. The hero is charged with murder because the innocent employee died. This might really happen. He killed two robbers under ambiguous circumstances. An innocent person died as a result of one. I definitely see the defense case. A defense to a murder charges takes a great deal of money. A membership in a group offering self-defense legal benefits could make the difference. The hero decides not to gamble with his future and takes a deal. He does eight years in prison gets out and goes on to meet a family of cannibals. Some people have no luck at all.

I did an annual physical. Medicare wants to have some idea how long they will be paying for my medications. Prior to the exam I was sent a text message asking me preparatory questions. I answered the medical questions. When I came to the one about gun ownership I tried to skip it but could not. I immediately exited the text exam. When I got to the doctor's office I was handed a paper questionnaire. I wrote "none of your business" at the objectionable question. I asked my doctor why he needed to know if I have guns. He said that the government required him to ask these questions in order for him to get paid for the exam. He said that I could lie or ignore the question. He was only re-

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quired to ask them. He said the questionnaire did not go anywhere. I would guess that the government checked on if he was asking the question. Answering "None of your business" does tend to answer the question. I decline to lie; Boy Scouts. Everyone knows I have guns anyway. I have heard of people who were not on Medicare being asked this question. The claim is that guns are a danger to the household. I know more about gun safety than the government agency asking this question. I think I will continue to remind them that it is none of their business.

The NRA has re-elected the same board which re-elected the same officers; including Wayne LaPierre. This is the group which had prevented bad things from happening to our rights. It has also left the NRA open to a lawsuit by the New York State Attorney General. This re-election ensures the suit will continue to drain money from the organization. We need a well-financed NRA to fight for us. Things do not look good for an outcome. It is possible, even probable, that a receiver will be appointed over the NRA. The agenda of this receiver could determine the NRA's future.

New York has jurisdiction over the NRA because it is incorporated in New York State. I have been informed that it is not a simple matter to move the NRA charter. Even if it did, the courts might continue the lawsuit because of acts alleged to have been done while it was incorporated in New York.

I know that many are upset with the NRA over the allegations of mismanagement. Assume they are all true; but remember who the real enemy is. We can fix whatever is wrong with the NRA, so long as there is an NRA.

In the words of two great time travelers, "Be excellent to each other!"

We shall overcome.

Lawmakers eye bipartisan national 'red flag' law in wake of Texas school shooting Lawmakers in both parties are exploring a national "red flag" law and expanded background checks in the wake of the school shooting in Texas that killed at least 19 children and two teachers.

With tension and partisanship surrounding the issue on Capitol Hill, few lawmakers believe any legislation can get the 60 votes needed to overcome a filibuster within the evenly split Senate. But a cadre of moderate Republicans and Democrats are working in hopes of finding a compromise that can attract sufficient support to become law.

"I'm going to start having conversations again with colleagues on both sides of the aisle," said Sen. Kyrsten Sinema, Arizona Democrat. "If there is a chance for us to do something to help make it safer for kids in this country, we owe it to the country to do it for real, not just talking points."

Lawmakers hope that bipartisan consensus can form around expanding background checks for gun purchases and a national "red flag" law. The latter proposal would allow law enforcement to remove firearms from individuals determined by a court to be a danger to themselves and others.

Lawmakers hope that both proposals will be an easier sell to Republicans wary of primary challengers or crossing the gun lobby.

"Violence, naked force, has settled more issues in history than has any other factor, and the contrary opinion is wishful thinking at its worst. Nations and peoples who forget this basic truth have always paid for it with their lives and freedoms.'

-Robert A. Heinlein

"In totalitarian societies, cities change their names regularly. Statues go up and are torn down. Words, as the historian Thucydides warned 2,400 years ago, habitually change their meanings to reflect passing political orthodoxy — and thugs, commissars and brownshirts oversee the charade. For an antidote to these statue-smashers and name-changers, Americans seek just one honest public official who dares to say 'no more' — and arrests rather than appeases those who destroy public property, or shames those who ruin people through guilt by association."

-Victor Davis Hanson

"The struggle is always between the individual and his sacred right to express himself and ... the power structure that seeks conformity, suppression and obedience."

-Justice William O. Douglas





#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

UVALDE K. L. Jamison

What we know is that the little scum bought an AR-15. He had just turned 18 so had no record. He had no juvenile record either so the proposal to expand background checks of persons under 21 would have done nothing to stop him. A politician claims that four years ago he threatened to shoot up a school as soon as he was 18. Like so many politician statements; it is not true. Four years ago two juveniles threatened to shoot up a school, but the little scum was not one of them.

The little scum crashed his car into a ditch in front of the school. As of this writing it is unknown if he targeted the school or if that was simply where he ran off the road. His reasons for the attack are also unknown. He did not encounter a security guard outside the school. He fired at employees of a nearby funeral home. One of these employees retrieved a gun and tried to enter the school but was prevented from doing so by police.

The little scum entered by a door that was closed, but the lock had not worked. The door was not propped open. Crashing the car at just that spot and entering by a door that did not lock seems entirely too coincidental to me. Even scum get lucky sometimes.

The police chief heard shooting in the classroom but concentrated an evacuating other parts of the school. The police chief did not bring his radio so was not aware that children in the classroom were calling 911. He did not bring his radio because he wanted his hands free to use his gun. He knew from experience that radios often did not work in the school. A commander's weapon is his unit. His job is tactical control. This requires communication devices. Tactics as summarized as move, shoot and communicate. He did none of these things. For some reason he thought that he had a barricaded suspect and not an active killer. Yet, he heard shots from the classroom. It is estimated that twelve children were killed in the one hour and seventeen minutes that police waited outside. One teacher died in the ambulance and three children died in the hospital. Without the autopsy reports it is wild speculation if faster medical treatment might have saved them.

A janitor provided keys to the room. The police chief had to take time going through them to find the right one. This is one reason I think janitors should be strongly considered to be armed. Janitors see everything. They have keys to everywhere. They know what keys go to what doors. Of course, the first person a killer sees when he storms in is usually the secretary.

Responding to killers requires aggression. Napoleon said "Attack, Attack always Attack." Of course, he attacked Russia which did not work out well; there are exceptions.

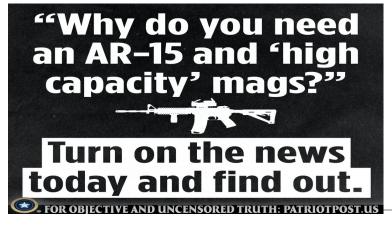
The most important thing to remember is that the massacre ended when an off-duty Border-Patrolman with a borrowed shotgun forced his way in and killed the little scum.

## Western Missouri Shooters Alliance Meeting Reminder

The next general membership meeting of the Western Missouri Shooters Alliance will be held on July 26, 2022, at Bass Pro in Independence, MO. The meeting starts at 7:00 PM

We will be nominating 3 board member positions at the July meeting. Bill Bland, Eric Burger and Bill Shelley's 3 year terms expire this year. If you are interested in running for a board position please let us know at bob.wmsa@gmail.com or at the July meeting.

If interested several of us will be meeting for dinner at the American Legion Hall on 40 HWY at 5:00 PM, join us. Taco Tuesday 4 for \$5.





#### After the Guns Were Removed, the Killing Fields Began

"All political power comes from the barrel of a gun. The Communist Party must command all the guns; that way, no guns can ever be used to command the party."

The quote was from Mao Zedong, founder of Communist China. Mao's first act after gaining complete control of China in 1949 was to take away all guns from the population. It was a policy he began in 1935 as he took over each rural province. Anyone found with a gun post-confiscation was executed.

An estimated 65 million Chinese died as a result of Mao's repeated, merciless attempts to create a new "socialist" China. Anyone who got in his way was done away with—by execution, imprisonment, or forced famine.

Mao killed more people than either Stalin or Hitler during World War II. And it all began after he took away the guns.

Dictators throughout much of history have disarmed their populations before they began their mass killings. Examples abound beyond Mao: Hitler took guns from the Jews in November of 1938, and Kristallnacht and the Holocaust followed; and then there was Fidel Castro in Cuba and Hugo Chavez in Venezuela, to name but a few.

#### Cuba and Gun Control

Everybody ought to have a gun, Fidel Castro maintained—until he took over Cuba in 1959. At a rally in Havana before he assumed power, he explained: "This is how democracy works: it gives rifles to farmers, to students, to women, to Negroes, to the poor, and to every citizen who is ready to defend a just cause."

Weapons ranging from Czech submachine guns to Belgian FN automatic rifles were handed out to 50,000 soldiers, 400,000 militiamen, 100,000 members of the factory-guarding popular defense force, and to many men, women, and children in Cuba's 1 million-strong "neighborhood vigilance committees."

Immediately after assuming power in 1959, Castro changed his position, following Mao's rule that guns should not be in the hands of the people.

For three weeks after the Castro government was formed, Radio Havana warned, "All citizens must turn in their combat weapons. Civilians must take arms to police stations, soldiers to military headquarters."

Radio Havana's explanation was somewhat contradictory: the guns were in bad shape anyway and the "struggle against our enemies requires a rigorous control of all combat weapons."

There was an urgency about the new policy that suggested serious concern. Failure to turn in military weapons by Sept. 1, 1959, warned Radio Havana, would be punished not by criminal courts but by the dreaded Revolutionary Tribunals—those kangaroo courts that sentenced thousands of Cubans to death after Castro took over.

#### Venezuela and Gun Control

Venezuela is now paying the price for allowing Hugo Chavez to implement the Mao rule when he came to power in 2012.

The shocking nature of an economic collapse that led Venezuela from being one of the richest countries in Latin America to one of the poorest has been well documented.

One aspect of the Venezuelan crisis that does not receive much coverage is the country's gun control regime. All guns were outlawed when Chavez came to power, and harsh penalties were imposed on violators. The Venezuelan Armed Forces have exclusive power to control, register, and potentially confiscate firearms.

Many citizens now regret the repressive gun control legislation the Venezuelan government implemented in 2012. Naturally, this regret is warranted. The Venezuelan government is among the most tyrannical in the world, with a proven track record of violating basic civil liberties such as free speech, debasing its national currency, confiscating private property, and creating economic controls that destroy the country's productivity.

Elections have proven to be useless, as they've been mired with corruption and charges of government tampering. For many, taking up arms is the only option left for the country to shake off its tyrannical government. But the Venezuelan government has prevented such an uprising with its draconian gun control.

These life-and-death lessons of history are lost on too many Americans. Our Founding Fathers didn't give us the Second Amendment for duck hunting or simply for self-protection in a country that at the time had a vast and yet unknown frontier. They bestowed it upon us so that we could protect our precious nation from devolving into tyranny as so many others have done.

Politicians who respect the American ideal don't try to diminish the Second Amendment or blame it for other ills of society that they have failed to solve, but rather embrace it as part of the legacy of rights that helps keep America free.

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed (and hence clamorous to be led to safety) by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary."

-H. L. Mencken

"Those who seek absolute power, even though they seek it to do what they regard as good, are simply demanding the right to enforce their own version of heaven on earth, and let me remind you they are the very ones who always create the most hellish tyranny."

-Barry Goldwater

#### **Armed Self-Defense: One Fateful Day In March**

If you listen to the *Los Angeles Times*, the worst thing any homeowner can do is purchase a firearm for defense of themselves and their family.

On January 31, the *Times* published an <u>op-ed</u> by Dr. Steven J. Sainsbury, a hospice and geriatric physician from San Luis Obispo, Calif., titled "Thinking of buying a gun for self-defense? Don't do it." In the op-ed, Sainsbury attempts to make the case that there are hardly any successful armed self-defense episodes, and having a gun in your home is far more likely to lead to the homeowner being killed than using the gun for self-defense.

It's a good thing three homeowners in Fontana, Calif., Longview, Texas, and Lincolnton, N.C., didn't read (or believe) Sainsbury's anti-gun tripe, as all three of them were forced to use firearms to defend their homes on the very same day earlier this month—March 5.

In the Fontana, Calif., incident, the very same *Los Angeles Times* that published Sainsbury's anti-gun editorial <u>reported</u> that a homeowner called police at 10:47 p.m. to say that at least one person had made illegal entry into his home; he added that he believed the intruder was armed. Grabbing his own firearm, the homeowner exchanged gunshots with the intruder.

Thankfully, in this case, the homeowner shot straighter. When police arrived, they found a man wearing gloves and a mask dead in the hallway. Police reported that the dead intruder had a semi-automatic handgun lying next to his body. The investigation continues, but police believe the homeowner justifiably defended himself against an armed intruder.

Kxxv.com radio <u>reported</u> that, on the same night in Longview, Texas, a woman also used her firearm to defend herself from a home intruder. Sheriff Department officials said Mathew Dillon George forced his way into a Longview residence while the homeowner was present. According to reports, George was given a verbal warning to leave, but refused to heed that warning. Fearful for her safety, the woman shot George, who was found at the scene by authorities and taken to a hospital. Harrison County Sheriff Brandon "B.J." Fletcher put that self-defense episode into perspective for the media.

"This entire incident is an excellent example of the importance of our Second Amendment," Sheriff Fletcher said. "I am thankful the homeowner was unharmed, but also thankful the suspect in this episode will now face his consequences through the judicial system; it could have ended a lot worse."

In North Carolina, a homeowner in Lincolnton was also forced to use a gun to defend his home on March 5.

According to a <u>report</u> at wbtv.com, Charles Mayberry went to a home where his wife was living in order to confront her and the homeowner. Authorities say that after Mayberry pushed his way into the house and got into an altercation with the homeowner, the homeowner ran to the back bedroom. When he was pursued, he fired one shot, grazing Mayberry's forehead. He then ran next door and called authorities.

Mayberry was arrested after being released from the hospital. Since then, he has been charged with felony breaking and entering and other charges.

In the end, Dr. Sainsbury, who wrote the op-ed on the "ineffectiveness" of armed self-defense, likely wouldn't want to hear about these three successful cases where use of firearms likely saved lives. Fortunately for the victims who defended themselves successfully, they hadn't subscribed to his anti-gun theory about self-defense.

"No country can maintain its character and purpose if it has what amounts to open borders. A common language is lost, there are fewer incentives to assimilate and immigrants can bring with them their own agendas and objectives. The hyphenating of various ethnic groups is proof enough that they seem to be less willing to be called simply Americans."

—Cal Thomas

"At some point we're going to be fatigued with everybody being a victim. ... You always have to play the hand you're dealt. If you're dealt a bad hand, you still have to play it."

-Justice Clarence Thomas

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#### Democrats want gun control for civilians, defunded police, and wrist-slaps for criminals

Gov. Kathy Hochul (D-NY) said that New York "will take every action possible to end this senseless cycle of gun violence" in the aftermath of the shooting in Uvalde, Texas. Perhaps she can start by telling her own party it needs to try to keep criminals in jail.

In the last two months, New York City saw two high-profile subway shootings. The first was perpetrated by Frank James, who had a criminal history stretching from the 1990s to 2007 in New York and New Jersey. That history included making terroristic threats, but James was never charged with a felony and was able to legally purchase a gun four years after being arrested in New Jersey for trespassing, larceny, and disorderly conduct. He went on to kill 10 and injure 29.

More recently, Andrew Abdullah randomly, brazenly shot and killed Daniel Enriquez in the middle of the day. Abdullah then gave his firearm to a homeless man to try and get rid of it. He was a "known gang offender," according to police, with at least eight prior arrests. His criminal history includes felony assault, robbery, attempted murder, and an open gun charge from two years ago.

Abdullah had been arrested one month before the murder for "allegedly being in possession of a stolen motorcycle." Despite his criminal record, the judge gave him a nominal bail of \$1, which left him free to commit the alleged murder

The Democratic Party's core problem when it comes to gun control is its refusal to enforce laws. Democrats want gun control policies that will restrict law-abiding citizens. Meanwhile, many Democratic lawmakers and prosecutors go out of their way to make sure criminals get off easy for gun crimes and crimes that would prevent them from being able to own or purchase a firearm legally.

Woke district attorneys in Philadelphia and Los Angeles made it their goal to lessen prison time for criminals who used guns in their crimes. While campaigning, Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg promised the same, saying he wouldn't prosecute people for possession unless they committed a violent crime, a position he has begun walking back. The brothers in the Sacramento shooting both had a history of violent crimes and gang affiliations, but both were treated with child's gloves by California's parole board and soft-on-crime attitude.

Add in those Democratic politicians that have actually moved to defund their cities' police departments, and — well, what's a law-abiding person to do?

Democrats are not serious about gun control because they don't enforce gun laws against criminals. Moreover, none of their proposals are responsive to the shootings that prompt them. For example, universal background checks could not have prevented a shooting by someone who passed a background check because of some Democratic prosecutor's refusal to pursue felony charges.

Meanwhile, they fight "mass incarceration" by making sure criminals avoid as much jail time as possible, even for crimes in which guns are used.

If Hochul and Democrats want to start acting serious about gun violence, they will have to begin with some self-reflection.

### Why we must repeal gun-free zones

The Uvalde, Texas massacre is still at the center of national attention.

And the usual rogues gallery of demagogues have been squawking about passing gun control and other legislative acts to undermine our freedoms. Tragedies of this nature always trigger political busybodies' most authoritarian instincts. For the freedom-minded, we're able to remain cool and look at the details that emerge from these incidents. That's how we're able to come to the conclusion that the "gun-free zones" present in schools nation-wide are what allow for these massacres to take place. After all, gun-free zones serve as criminal safe spaces that give deranged lunatics an easy way to rack up nasty kill counts.

Sober analysis of these incidents is also what allows us to find out that many of these murderers are mentally unstable and come from broken households.

Plus, in the case of the Uvalde massacre, there was an egregiously incompetent and cowardly response from local law enforcement, in which they spent over an hour outside while the gunman continued mowing down his victims.

This gives a whole new twist to the adage that when "seconds count, the police are minutes away."

I highlighted back in 2018 how gun-free zones were a nasty legacy of former President George H.W. Bush which continues to haunt us to this very day.

Peace, José Niño

"The Left likes to measure progress based how many people depend on government benefits like Obamacare, food stamps and welfare. Conservatives measure progress based on how many people are working and providing for themselves and their families."

-Gary Bauer

"The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of blessings; the inherent virtue of socialism is the equal sharing of miseries."

- Winston Churchill

#### Half Of States Now Have Constitutional Carry Laws As Gov. Kemp Signs New Law In Georgia

Georgia Republican Governor Brian Kemp signed a law on Tuesday to make Georgia a constitutional carry state, allowing residents to carry handguns without a license or needing to get background check to get a permit.

SB 319 was signed just over a month after the Republican-led state Senate passed the legislation, making Georgia the 25th constitutional carry state in the nation.

"SB 319 makes sure that law-abiding Georgians, including our daughters, and your family too, can protect themselves without having to have permission from your state government," Kemp <u>said</u> outside Gable Sporting Goods in Douglasville, where he said he had previously purchased a handgun for one of his daughters. "The Constitution of the United States gives us that right, not the government."

The state's GOP lawmakers had argued that the existing carry permit infringed on the Second Amendment rights of its citizens.

Kemp also addressed the concerns some in his state have with changing the previous law.

"There is no doubt that we are in challenging times," Kemp told reporters, according to <u>The Atlanta Journal-Constitution</u>. "People don't have to carry if they don't want to," he added. "But this is a constitutional authority that people have, and they certainly shouldn't have a piece of paper from the government to be able to legally carry a weapon."

A second bill, HB 218, signed on Tuesday by the governor, also allows concealed carry permit holders from other states to legally carry in Georgia.

"HB 218 ensures that individuals who are licensed to carry in another state are also authorized to do so here in Georgia," he said, according to Newsmax.

The signing comes as Kemp faces a strong primary challenge against former Georgia Republican Sen. David Perdue. Perdue has been endorsed by former President Donald Trump. Georgia's primary is set for May 24.

The new constitutional carry law was also signed just after President Joe Biden renewed his push to ban semiautomatic long guns in a Monday speech that focused on what his administration is doing to crack down on Second Amendment rights. The Daily Wire reported:

We need Congress to pass universal background checks, and I know it's controversial but I got it done once, ban assault weapons and high capacity magazines," Biden shouted. Biden then suggested that people do not need what he claims are high-capacity magazines because deer do not wear "Kevlar vests." The event was primarily focused on the administration issuing a final rule to curb the proliferation of so-called "ghost guns" which are privately made firearms that do not have a serial number and thus do not require a background check to obtain key components needed to build the firearm.

The other <u>24 states</u> that have a constitutional carry law are Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

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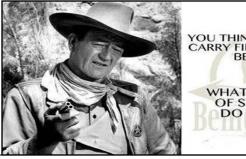
"How many times have we heard 'free tuition,' 'free health care,' and free you-name-it? If a particular good or service is truly free, we can have as much of it as we want without the sacrifice of other goods or services. Take a 'free' library; is it really free? The answer is no. Had the library not been built, that \$50 million could have purchased something else? That something else sacrificed is the cost of the library. While users of the library might pay a zero price, zero price and free are not one and the same. So when politicians talk about providing something free, ask them to identify the beneficent Santa Claus or tooth fairy."

Walter Williams

"Before a standing army can rule, the people must be disarmed; as they are in almost every kingdom of Europe. The supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword; because the whole body of the people are armed, and constitute a force superior to any band of regular troops that can be, on any pretense, raised in the United States."

—Noah Webster, 1787





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