

AB362 AMMO SALES BILL GUTTED !!!

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Good News - Bad News

GOOD NEWS: AB362 Ammo Bill was gutted on July 10, 2007 (see article page 3). It was changed to require that the California Department of Justice **ONLY conduct a "study" to determine the feasibility of an ammunition ban.** Consider this bill **DEFEATED** for now.

GOOD NEWS: AB1634 Spay/Neuter Bill failed to pass the Senate committee on July 11, 2007. It now becomes a two year bill. It's finished for 2007, but may come back in 2008.

BAD NEWS: However, the San Francisco Gun Control legislation package advanced to the full Board of Supervisors on July 9, 2007. Supporters admit it may not do much good at all, but that won't stop them from pushing it forwards.

BAD: New York Mayor Bloomberg's "Mayors Against Illegal Guns" is advertising in the Chronicle. **GOOD:** Many mayors are pulling out of his anti-gun campaign.

See everyone on July 17, 2007.

Gerard J. Cecchettini
President

DODGING A BULLET

We just had two egregious anti-gun / anti-hunting bills beaten back in the California State Senate this month. The Ammunition Sales Requirement bill and the Spay and Neuter bill were both derailed in committee.

The quick fact is that these bills got stopped by the flood of e-mails, phone calls, faxes, and letters to the state senators in that committee by concerned California citizens. The state legislators are Servants of the People, and need to constantly hear from the People about bills and laws that affect them.

The late Illinois Senator, Everett Dirksen once said "**When I feel the heat, I see the light.**" We, of the National Rifle Association Members' Councils of California **NEED** to keep the **heat** on our elected representatives on all gun rights-related bills that come up in the California State Legislature. Our state politicians need to **see the light** on the sanctity of the Second Amendment. We dodged a bullet on these bills, but there are more to come for 2007, so keep vigilant and informed.

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NEW CALIFORNIA NRA NEWSLETTER!!

A new state-wide NRA Members' Council newsletter is available at : <http://calnra.com/freedomsadvocate/download.shtml>

Crossroads of the West 2007 gun shows at the Cow Palace, Daly City, CA:

August 11-12

Sept 22-23

Nov. 17-18

<http://www.crossroadsgunshows.com>

<http://www.cowpalace.com/schedule.html>

Contact us to volunteer at the NRA recruiting booth, and get a free pass into the show.

Bill Tidwell Firearms Safety classes :

Bill and Cathy Tidwell teach basic NRA pistol classes, Hunter Education classes, NRA Instructor training classes, and many others.

See <http://train2besafe.com/> for a list of 2007 classes by Bill and Cathy Tidwell , or call (510) 713-8907

BAYPROFS (Bay Area Professionals for Firearms Safety and Education) Firearms Classes :

This is a not-for-profit organization that teaches NRA classes in Firearms Safety, Basic Pistol, and NRA Personal Protection in the Home. They use various San Jose area ranges for their classes.

See <http://www.bayprofs.org/> for information on their 2007 classes

For information on Bay Area NRA events and meetings, see <http://www.ggnra.org/calendar>

Firearms forum : www.calguns.net

Help the troops in Iraq get free gun cleaning kits . Go to www.projectboresnake.org and donate. You can even nominate a soldier or outfit to receive these cleaning kits. Over **10,000 donated kits** have been sent to our soldiers already!

Proposed OSHA Rules May Hurt Sales

According to the NRA-ILA, the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has proposed new rules that would dramatically affect the storage and transportation of ammunition and hand-loading components. The rules would indiscriminately treat ammunition, powder, and primers as 'explosives'.

This proposal would prohibit possession of firearms in commercial "facilities containing explosives", which could be the local gun store under the new rules. This alone would cause huge obvious problems for the gun store.

In addition, these proposed rules would prohibit delivery drivers from leaving explosives unattended, making it impossible for delivery services such as UPS to deliver ammunition or powder.

Another unwieldy rule is the required "evacuation of facilities containing explosives" during any electrical storm ... which could include a Wal-Mart that sells ammunition under the proposed rules!

Remember that these are just proposals right now. The government is allowing time for the public to comment on these rules. The public comment period will end on July 12, 2007, which may be after you read this newsletter. However, you may go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket Number OSHA-2007-0032 for more information on this proposed rule.

The important thing to remember is that there is always considerable opposition to the lawful ownership of firearms in this country, and we must be vigilant for efforts to curtail this Constitutional right. These efforts may take the subtle form of increased regulation like this one, or outright bans like the one proposed by New York Representative McCarthy, HR1022, to reauthorize the "assault weapons ban" and include millions more guns under revised rulings.

Keep checking with the NRA-ILA for more updates.

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AB362 Ammo Sales Requirements

AB362 was thankfully gutted on July 10, 2007. Here's look at what we were spared from. AB362 was a horribly restrictive bill that could have drastically changed the shooting sports in California for many years to come. It would have outlawed mail order ammunition sales, removed ammunition displays from stores, imposed an Ammunition Buying Permit with fees, and required many other unrealistic prohibitions and restrictions on California sportsmen. AB362, Ammunition Sales Requirements, (de Leon D, Los Angeles) would have, among other things, expanded the Prohibited Armed Persons File to include persons prohibited from buying handgun ammunition. However, the way this bill proposed to do this was horribly twisted, unwieldy, and infringed on lawful gun owners rights.

This bill would have required that starting on July 1, 2008, no person shall sell or transfer more than 50 rounds of handgun ammunition in any month unless they are registered as a handgun ammunition vendor under the new regulations. These vendors would have also had to have a background clearance for any of their employees who would handle any handgun ammunition in the course of their employment.

In addition, these ammunition vendors could not sell, offer for sale, or display for sale any handgun ammunition that is accessible to the buyer without assistance from the vendor or their employees. That meant your local gun shop could not leave any handgun ammunition out for display. That could have seriously impacted smaller dealers, and any vendors that may have set up at local gun shows.

There was also a requirement that ammunition sales be made **ONLY** in a face-to-face transaction ... **ending any mail order sales to California shooters.**

In addition, any buyer of handgun ammunition would have had to provide a thumbprint to the vendor at the

time of sale. All this information of the buyer would have gone into a database kept by the state Attorney General along with the names of people prohibited from buying guns.

California gun owners failed to stop the bill in the State Assembly. It passed the Assembly by only one vote in June, and was in the State Senate Public Safety Committee. It was amended by the Senate committee on July 3 to include even more draconian impositions.

There was an added requirement for a state **Handgun Ammunition Purchase Permit**. It would have cost an initial \$35.00 to apply for, take up to 30 days to process, and would only be valid for five years. Every five years it would cost an additional \$15.00 to renew.

On top of that, this data would have been linked to your driver's license information, and be stored in an online database. This permit could have been revoked by the Attorney General at any time.

Thank goodness this horrific and unfair bit of legislation was gutted by the Senate committee on July 10, 2007. Now, it only requires that the state Department of Justice conduct a study on restricting ammunition sales.

"Thank you" to all the Second Amendment supporters who took the time to e-mail, call, write, and fax your extreme opposition to this completely useless bill.

This round goes to the "Good Guys"!!!!

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YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES WITH YOUR
CONCERNS ABOUT PENDING LEGISLATION**

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NRA Homepage : www.nra.org

NRA-ILA Legislation Homepage : www.nraila.com

NRA News : www.nranews.com

Women On Target Program : www.nrahq.org/women/wot.asp

Refuse To Be A Victim Personal Safety Seminar : www.nrahq.org/rtbv

The NRA Online Store : www.nrastore.com

California Legislative Alerts

To view the latest legislative alerts check here:
<http://NRAMembersCouncils.com/legs.shtml>

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 TENNESSEE GRILL (UPSTAIRS)
 1128 TARAVAL ST.
 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94116**

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