

STOP MICROSTAMPING BILL AB1471

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GOT A BARREL-FULL OF MONEY ? That's what you will need if you want to buy ammo. (If you can find ammo to buy)

AB362 AMMO SALES REQUIREMENTS (De Leon)
AB362 passes out of the Assembly by **ONE VOTE !**
(41-31). Now on to the Senate!

Commencing July 1, 2008:

* No person shall sell or transfer more than 50 rounds of handgun ammo in any month unless they are registered as a handgun ammo vendor. Do you want to loan a friend some ammo at the range? Forget it unless you are registered and meet other requirements.

* Handgun ammo may be only purchased in a face-to-face transaction and only if certain conditions exist. Say goodbye to internet or catalog purchases.

- **The amended bill now adds a "User Fee" to cover the cost of the new background check required whenever ammo is purchased. Presently, it costs \$25.00 to cover the background check when one buys a gun. WHAT WILL IT COST YOU TO PURCHASE A BOX OF AMMO?**

WE MUST STOP THESE BILLS!

It is imperative that we all participate in the ONE-CLICK system DAILY. The immediate action is on the bottom of the Cal NRA website page. Bill information and legislator contact information is also available on that page. Go to <http://calnra.com/legs.shtml> You can also reach the website from our webpage <http://www.ggnra.org>.

Everybody must get involved. Meeting attendance is important. See everybody at the next meeting.

Gerard J. Cecchetti
President

Politician Changes Mind !

Real life often has a way of changing people's minds, and this time an Ohio State Representative met reality head on! State Representative Michael DeBose (D) of Cleveland, Ohio was a staunch opponent of a legal Right-to-Carry, voting against it twice in Ohio.

It all changed for him on May 1, 2007 when he was walking at night in the neighborhood he had called home for 27 years. Just three doors from his house, he was confronted by two criminals, one armed with a gun. Rep. DeBose was lucky that night as he ran away screaming and started banging on a neighbor's door.

After this terrifying confrontation, Rep DeBose said, "I was wrong. I'm going to get a permit and so is my wife. I've changed my mind. You need a way to protect yourself and your family. I don't want to hurt anyone. But I never again want to be in the position where I'm approached by someone with a gun and I don't have one. There are too many people who are just evil and mean-spirited."

For more on this story and other firearms-related legislative news, go to www.nraila.org.

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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 18-19
Sept 22-23
Nov. 17-18

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

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!

“Real” Politics or “Reel” Politics?

So the cowboy hero shoots the guns out of three bad guy's hands and they all instantly surrender. Maybe the Chinese swordsman fights and kills thirty enemies before he leaps to safety onto the top of a nearby roof.

Well, some folks think that gun rights politics in California can be fought with such “Hollywood” tactics! Just because we are on the right and true side of the Second Amendment doesn't mean we can win by the goodness of our argument alone.

The real world of California politics is like nothing you were ever taught in your high school civics class. Did you know that California lawmakers can actually STOP the clock at five minutes before midnight on the very last night of a legislative session? They can then vote on laws all night long for hours, and then vote to restart the clock so they can “officially” end at midnight, even if it really is 5:00 AM!!

Did you know that bills which are voted down during a legislative session can be “reborn” the very next year? That means an anti-gun bill we had fought so hard to defeat one year can come back for one more chance during the next legislative session!

The NRA knows how to navigate the tricky political waters in California and win. Our “not-so secret weapon” is the only gun rights full time lobbyist, Ed Worley, in Sacramento . Ed gives us real-time information on pending legislation and meets face-to-face with the legislators and other lobbyists.

Since the NRA is not politically aligned with any party, it is able to work both with Democrats and Republicans on gun rights. The NRA does not hold to any political ideology except the Second Amendment, so we are not beholden to any one particular political party.

So save the “Hollywood” heroics for the silver screen. When it comes to **real** California politics, the NRA is well equipped to lead the fight and to give us the needed guidance to defeat any anti-gun legislation that comes our way.

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Stop Micro-Stamping Bill# AB1471

AB1471 Firearms micro-stamping, has come back from being **defeated** by the 2006 legislative session to haunt California gun owners once again. This was originally sponsored in 2006 by State Assemblyman Paul Koretz , (D West Hollywood), as AB352. This horrendous bill would have mandated all new semi-automatic pistols to have internal parts with microscopic stampings on them that would imprint a marking identity on each fired cartridge case by Jan 1, 2007.

In February of this year, Assemblyman Mike Feuer (D West Hollywood) reintroduced firearms micro-stamping AGAIN as AB1471. Yes, we **defeated** AB352 in August 2006, yet it is back again like a vampire rising from the grave.

This time there is an actual state-funded University of California Davis study that sheds much doubt on this “flawed technology”. UC researchers tested firing pins from six different brands of semi automatic pistols in .22, .380, and .40 caliber, two semi automatic rifles, and a pump action shotgun.

They engraved three different types of code on the pins. After firing 2500 rounds from six CHP-issued Smith and Wesson .40 cal pistols, researchers found some engravings were still legible and other were ‘hammered flat’. Tests on other guns produced a wide range of results depending on the type of firearm, ammunition, and type of code engraved on the pin.

Besides the problems with the basic technology, there are many ways that criminals could bypass this method. Replacement of the engraved part or simply filing down the part are two of the more obvious techniques.

Another disturbing issue with this is the possible seeding of a crime scene with already-stamped cases, providing a false trail to throw off the police and implicating an innocent gun owner in a crime.

Even California law enforcement does not support this bill. The Police Officer’s Research Association of California has actively opposed this bill (see <http://www.porac.org/billchart.html> for more information). This bill has the potential to dramatically increase law enforcement costs all over this state, as police agencies will have to pay more for new firearms and possibly lose the ability to reload used casings.

Microstamping will also cost the public extra, as consumers will pay increased costs for the new semi-automatic pistols. In addition, firearms owners may well be inadvertently turned into criminals if they replace a damaged or worn engraved firing pin with a non-engraved pin.

On May 29th, 2007, this disastrous bill passed on out of the State Assembly. It will be introduced into the State Senate soon, so please watch either www.ggnra.org or www.nramemberscouncils.com for up-to-the-minute information on opposing this horrendous bill.

These websites feature a box featuring California firearms-related legislation and the positions the NRA has taken on these pending bills. This box’s special function is the famous “**ONE-CLICK**” feature. This special webmail tool will allow you to send an e-mail with your personal opinion to ALL concerned legislators regarding specific bills with ONLY ONE CLICK of your keyboard.

Get involved **NOW** in saving your 2nd Amendment rights here in California by fighting this awful bill.

**PLEASE CHECK THE
“CALIFORNIA LEGISLATION”
BOX AT WWW.GGNRA.ORG
FOR THE LATEST
LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

**BE SURE TO E-MAIL, FAX, AND CALL
YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES WITH YOUR
CONCERNS ABOUT PENDING LEGISLATION**

NRA Websites

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>

To **receive CAL-ERT email alerts** derived from direct input of the Sacramento NRA-ILA lobbyist, Ed Worley, sign up at:
<http://calnra.com/calerts-signup/index.shtml>

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**NEXT GGUNRAMC MEETING :
 TUESDAY, 7PM, ON JUNE 19, 2007
 TENNESSEE GRILL (UPSTAIRS)
 1128 TARAVAL ST.
 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94116**

These private meetings are for NRA members, NRA Member's Councils members and invited guests only. NRA proof-of-membership and personal identification are required to attend these meetings. We reserve the right to refuse entry.