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2018 FEDERAL CANDIDATE SURVEY

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1. Gun control advocates label semi-automatic firearms with certain cosmetic features as so-called "assault weapons." However, all semi-automatic firearms are functionally the same (one round fired per one pull of the trigger.)

Would you oppose any legislation that bans certain types of semi-automatic firearms (commonly referred to as "assault weapons")?

Yes No

2. Certain lawmakers have called for a ban on "bump stocks" or other devices that "increase the rate of fire" of a semi-automatic firearm. Such language could ban many parts and accessories, including magazines. The ATF has determined multiple times that bump stocks do not convert a semi-automatic firearm into a fully-automatic firearm. **Would you oppose any legislation or regulatory effort to ban bump stocks?**

Yes No

3. So-called Universal Background Checks legislation in Congress seeks to ban private firearm sales unless the buyer submits to a federal background check.

Would you oppose Universal Background Checks that would require private buyers and sellers of firearms get the federal government's approval before completing the transaction?

Yes No

4. The federal gun free school zones act of 1996 makes it illegal (with limited exceptions) to possess a firearm within 1,000 feet of the property of any "public, private or parochial school."

Gun owners who are otherwise carrying a firearm legally can be subject to a five-year prison sentence simply for driving past a school.

Do you support legislation to repeal the 1996 gun free school zones act?

Yes No

5. Though there is no technical definition of a “high capacity” magazine (firearm ammunition feeding device), gun control proponents designate some magazines as “high capacity” based on an arbitrarily chosen number of rounds a magazine can hold.

Would you oppose legislation banning the manufacture, sale or possession of large-capacity magazines?

Yes No If NO, what size magazine would you support banning?

6. Gun control advocates are seeking to prohibit 18-20 year-olds from possessing firearms, under most circumstances. This would treat young adults as if they have no Second Amendment rights, even though they are old enough to serve in the armed forces and to vote.

Would you oppose legislation that would severely limit the right of 18-20 year-olds to possess firearms?

Yes No

7. The General Accounting Office, which is a watchdog within the U.S. Justice Department, reported in 2016 that the federal government was illegally retaining the names of thousands of law-abiding gun buyers. This highlights the fact that any background check – whether an “instant check” or otherwise – can result in a registration list of gun owners.

Would you support a repeal of the 1993 Brady instant check?

Yes No

8. In 1996, Congress enacted a gun ban known as the Lautenberg Misdemeanor Gun Ban. Because this ban covers misdemeanors, it disarms otherwise law-abiding citizens for life – for offenses as slight as spanking a child or grabbing a spouse’s wrist.

Do you support a repeal of the Lautenberg Misdemeanor Gun Ban?

Yes No

9. Legislation in Congress would allow a person who can legally carry a concealed firearm in his or her home state to also have the right to carry in other states. The specific legislation GOA supports does not establish national standards and is Constitutional Carry-friendly in that it

recognizes the right to carry concealed firearms without forcing states to adopt a permitting system.

Would you support reciprocity legislation for persons allowed to carry concealed firearms, especially legislation that does not include national standards and is Constitutional Carry friendly?

Yes No

10. The 1968 Gun Control Act requires that imported firearms be “suitable for sporting purposes” -- a phrase which has become an arbitrary term to justify bans on certain handguns, shotguns and rifles.

Would you support legislation repealing the “sporting purposes” test of the 1968 Act?

Yes No Provided this did not limit import of firearms further.

11. In 1986, the federal government passed an immigration amnesty bill. In a few years, this law turned California from a “swing state” to an anti-gun state which leads the country in banning and registering firearms and ammunition. Now, anti-gun Members of Congress are supporting an amnesty bill which could add millions of potential anti-gun voters to the electorate.

Would you oppose any such anti-gun amnesty bill?

Yes No

12. In 2007, the Congress passed the “Veterans Disarmament Act” without a recorded vote in either chamber. Under this law, 257,000 veterans have lost their gun rights as a result of a VA diagnosis, without any hearing or due process.

Would you support legislation to require a judicial hearing and determination prior to stripping a veteran of his Second Amendment rights?

Yes No

13. Anti-gun advocates have pushed legislation to impose a long prison sentence if one sells a gun to a veteran, but negligently fails to realize he has problems with PTSD and has been placed in the NICS system as a result. They label these proposals as a crackdown on “gun trafficking,” but this legislation will trap innocent gun owners and do nothing to prevent illegal gun trafficking by the drug cartels.

Would you oppose this Veterans Gun Ban?

Yes No

14. "No fly-no buy" legislation would allow an anti-gun administration to remove a person's Second Amendment rights by placing their name on a secret list -- all without notifying the person or giving him any due process. Senator Ted Kennedy and Congressman Don Young are among the Americans who were mistakenly been placed on such a list.

Would you oppose "No fly-no buy" legislation which would disarm a person by placing his name on a "secret list" with no due process?

Yes No

15. A very popular device utilized by gun owners and hunters is a suppresser, which muffles the sound of a gunshot. However, suppressors are highly regulated by the unconstitutional National Firearms Act, which requires intensive background checks, waiting periods, tax stamps and registration. Furthermore, the ATF has called such regulations archaic, questioning why suppressors are regulated by the federal government in the first place.

Would you support legislation to deregulate suppressors?

Yes No

16. After recent mass shootings, there has been a major effort to amend federal laws to allow the issuance of Gun Confiscation Orders (GCOs). Sugar-coated as "red-flag laws" or "extreme violence protection orders," Gun Confiscation Orders would allow police or an aggrieved "ex" to convene a secret star-chamber hearing from which the gun owner would be excluded. In anti-gun states where GCO's have already been enacted, judges routinely "ask few questions" before issuing the order to order to ransack the gun owner's home and, if he or she resists, to arrest or even shoot him or her. This suspension of Second, Fourth, and Fourteenth Amendment rights would occur without probable cause and, in fact, without the existence of any crime at all.

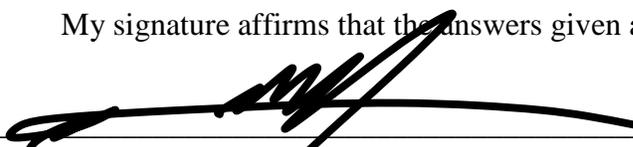
Would you oppose legislation proposal Gun Confiscation Orders?

Yes No

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Candidate's Signature

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I oppose any legislation that infringes on our personal right to keep and bear arms. I will fight to repeal such legislation that is already in place.