



Ohio Gun Owners

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Memorandum of Opposition

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TO: Members of the Ohio House and Ohio Senate

FROM: Chris Dorr, Executive Director, Ohio Gun Owners

RE: Opposition to SB357

Dear Members of the Ohio Senate and the Ohio House of Representatives,

On behalf of the members and supporters of Ohio Gun Owners, I'm writing you to urge you and your respective chambers to reject Senate Bill 357 by Senator Matt Dolan.

This can be done in a variety of ways, but some of the methods which your chamber has rejected bills in the past has been by refusing to hold hearings, running strike and replace amendments with language from another bill (we recommend the language from HB62), block in committee or, ultimately, voting no at every single opportunity.

Our membership and gun voters across Ohio are 100% united in opposition to this bill.

Not one single jot or tittle in this legislative drone strike on the freedoms of Ohioans will stop a single killer from murdering an innocent citizen or a rapist from raping an innocent victim.

Of course, this bill was never intended to stop violent criminals so much as rather continuing Senator Dolan and his family's pattern of bowing to the Woke Left in preparation for his 2024 US Senate run.

Just ask Chief Wahoo.

Sadly, Senator Dolan's 125-page public betrayal of his oath of office would, in part:

- **Destroy due process rights for Ohioans by implementing Red Flag Gun Confiscation orders** (which he's cutely codenamed "Safety Protection Orders") which are executed through judicial decree rather than legal adjudication, all while disguising it based on increasingly bogus "mental health" standards.

Today's "mental health" professionals are an atrocity to the label, routinely incapable of performing the most basic functions of society like identifying which restroom boys are supposed to use and which restroom girls are supposed to use.

For example, the "mental health professionals" community sat by in condoning silence as William Thomas, who was born a male, changed his name to Lia Thomas, pretended to be a female and began competing in NCAA Division 1 swimming competitions against real women, women who were born females.

This same "mental health professionals" community has sat silently by and watched as degenerates in our society ratchet up their demands for young children be permitted to get sex changes or take puberty blockers.

Common-sense and freedom-loving Ohioans reject subjugating their freedoms as Americans to such a debauched and shameful group of buffoons.

- **Restrict the rights of voting, tax-paying 18-20-year-olds by disallowing them to purchase many firearms.**
- **Mandate a deadly 72-hour waiting period** for legal adults aged 18-21 who are looking to purchase a firearm.

Killers and rapists rarely give 72-hour notice to their intended victims, fyi.

- **Blackmail firearm sellers into creating a statewide gun-owner registry** by creating a "Seller's Protection" licensing system, where lawful citizens can be sued in civil court for crimes they did not commit.

This process will be amended from "may" to "shall" at some point down the road and will thus require a firearm seller do a background check on all potential buyers at some point down the road, effectively implementing Michael Bloomberg's dream of a

database that tracks, traces and registers every gun owner like they were some kind of sex offender.

- **Expands the NCIC database and the amount of data flowing from the State of Ohio into the Federal NCIC database system.**

To be clear, Ohio Gun Owners is opposed to ANY and EVERY attempt to expand the NCIC or NICS "background check" system.

This database program has been a complete and total failure at achieving its "stated" goals, it has never once stopped a mass shooting and it is THE central gun and gun-owner database that gun-control advocates are building in order to implement full-blown gun confiscation the day they have the votes. That's why Nancy Pelosi, Chuck Schumer, Dianne Feinstein and every gun-grabber in Washington D.C. you can think of keep voting expansion.

- **Further codifies federal firearms statutes in the ORC, making violations of federal acts a punishable offense under Ohio law.**

If Ohioans wanted Ohio law to simply mirror every dumb thing codified in federal statute, they could simply get rid of the Ohio General Assembly.

But instead of passing Dolan's SB357, the state of Ohio should be doing the exact opposite of passing this and instead passing legislation like HB62, which would prevent state and local Ohio law-enforcement resources from being commandeered and forced to enforce unconstitutional gun-control laws or executive orders by our current Presidential administration or future administrations.

The state of Missouri, for example, has done exactly that with their Republican supermajority.

- **Creates a brand-new "restricted-access firearm" classification and lumping in any firearm that is not a bolt-action, break action, or double-barreled shotgun. Using negative terminology around popular firearms to lay the groundwork to ban popular guns in the future.**

We wish we could see what Sam Adams would do to a quisling, woke "Senator" like Matt Dolan, but since we cannot, we will just point out that Dolan's terminology is a direct attack on the right of firearms ownership.

We could continue with a dozen more points we reject in SB357, but in short, the only thing this bill accomplishes is furthering the Left's

Marxist dream for America by further establishing the framework for gun confiscation and denying Ohioans their constitutional God-given rights.

Oh, and another FYI: All gun laws are unconstitutional.

Our rights are endowed on us by our Creator, not government, and that's why Article 1, Section 4 of the Ohio Constitution and the Second Amendment to the Constitution were codified as a restriction on government, not We the People.

If the Ohio General Assembly is truly interested in finding out why killers are being generated by our current system, we suggest that the Ohio General Assembly start with putting God back into our schools, rejecting CRT and the Woke school curriculums being promoted by the teacher's unions, stop funding the destruction of the family through welfare spending, and use the subpoena powers of the Ohio General Assembly's committees to drag the CEO's of pharmaceutical companies into hearings and demand that they produce their own studies showing the effects of psychotropic, SSRI drugs on the adolescent brain.

We don't expect Senator Dolan to pursue such a reasonable and logical path to finding answers for the woes that ail our decaying culture, but we offer these fabulous suggestions in the fervent hope that some of you will.

Needless to say, SB357 is a backhanded slap to the face of every peaceful gun owner in Ohio and a direct attack on freedom, the Ohio Constitution, and the Constitution of the United States.

We oppose it vigorously and urge you to do the same.

For Freedom,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Dorr" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Chris Dorr, Executive Director
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