Federal Firearm Related Bills

2017 115th Congress (2017-2018)

Bills advancing:

**H.R.3668 SHARE Act  Sportsmen’s Heritage and Recreational Enhancement Act**
Sponsor:  Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]  Introduced 09/01/2017
To provide for the preservation of sportsmen’s heritage and enhance recreation opportunities on Federal land, and for other purposes.
[Twenty-two Titles (98 pages)  Title XV deregulates Silencers; Title XVI deregulates armor piercing ammunition]
Committee on Natural Resources hearing Sept 12, bill amended, passed 22-13; discharged by Agriculture, Judiciary, Transportation, Ways and Means; Ordered report Sept 13; on Union Calendar No 224, House floor debate and vote anticipated in October
Report together with dissenting views

**H.R.695 Child Protection Improvements Act of 2017**
Sponsor:  Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]  Introduced 01/24/2017
Cosponsors include:  Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]
This bill amends the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to direct the Department of Justice to establish a program to provide national criminal history background checks and criminal history reviews for individuals who apply to work or volunteer at organizations that serve children, elderly adults, or individuals with disabilities.
This bill passed in the House on May 22, 2017 [voice vote, a quorum being present] and is in the Senate for consideration.

Bills not advancing, in reverse order of introduction:

**H.R.3576 SAGA Act, Second Amendment Guarantee Act**
To amend title 18, United States Code, to limit the authority of States and localities to regulate conduct, or impose penalties or taxes, in relation to rifles or shotguns.

**H.R.3464 Background Check Completion Act of 2017**
To prohibit firearms dealers from selling a firearm prior to the completion of a background check.

**H.R.3139 Hearing Protection Act of 2017, SHUSH Act**
Cosponsors include:  Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]
Official Title as Introduced:  To provide that silencers be treated the same as firearms accessories.

**S.1435 Veterans' Heritage Firearms Act of 2017**
Sponsor:  Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]  Introduced 06/26/2017
To provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register certain firearms in the National Firearm Registration and Transfer Record, and for other purposes.
H.R.3054 Veterans' Heritage Firearms Act of 2017
Cosponsor: Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]
To provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register certain firearms in the National Firearm Registration and Transfer Record, and for other purposes

H.R.2951 To allow Members of Congress to carry a concealed handgun anywhere in the United States, with exceptions.
Sponsor: Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]  
Cosponsors include: Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]; Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]

H.R.2909 D.C. Personal Protection Reciprocity Act
To require reciprocity between the District of Columbia and other States and jurisdictions with respect to the ability of individuals to carry certain concealed firearms, and for other purposes.

S.1212  Gun Violence Prevention Order Act of 2017
Sponsor: Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]  
To provide family members of an individual who they fear is a danger to himself, herself, or others, and law enforcement, with new tools to prevent gun violence.

S. 1185  Stop Illegal Trafficking in Firearms Act of 2017
Sponsor: Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]  
To increase public safety by punishing and deterring firearms trafficking.

H.R.1475 Gun Trafficking Prevention Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]  
To make trafficking in firearms a crime. It prohibits: purchasing or transferring a firearm with the intent to deliver it to a prohibited person; providing false or misleading material information in connection with a firearm purchase or transfer; and directing, promoting, or facilitating such prohibited conduct.

H.R.1982 Mental Health Access and Gun Violence Prevention Act of 2017
This bill authorizes FY2018 appropriations for the Department of Justice, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Social Security Administration to: (1) increase access to mental health care treatment and services, and (2) promote reporting of mental health information to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

S.834  A bill to authorize the appropriation of funds to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for conducting or supporting research on firearms safety or gun violence prevention.
To authorize the appropriation of funds to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for conducting or supporting research on firearms safety or gun violence prevention.

H.R.1537 Second Amendment Enforcement Act of 2017
Cosponsors include: Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]
To restore Second Amendment rights in the District of Columbia.
**S.446  Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017**
Sponsor: Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]  
Original Cosponsor: Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]  
Introduced 02/27/2017
This bill amends the federal criminal code to allow a qualified individual to carry a concealed handgun into or possess a concealed handgun in another state that allows its residents to carry concealed firearms. A qualified individual must: (1) be eligible to possess, transport, or receive a firearm under federal law; (2) carry a valid photo identification document; and (3) carry a valid state-issued concealed carry permit, or be eligible to carry a concealed firearm in his or her state of residence.  

**S.162  Second Amendment Enforcement Act of 2017**
Sponsor: Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]  
To restore Second Amendment rights in the District of Columbia.  
Introduced 01/17/2017

**H.R.367  The Hearing Protection Act**
Sponsor: Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]  
Cosponsors include: Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]; Gowdy, Trey [R-SC-4]; Rice, Tom, [R-SC-7]  
Introduced 02/27/2017
This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) eliminate the $200 transfer tax on firearm silencers, and (2) treat any person who acquires or possesses a firearm silencer as meeting any registration or licensing requirements of the National Firearms Act with respect to such silencer. Any person who pays a transfer tax on a silencer after October 22, 2015, may receive a refund of such tax. The bill amends the federal criminal code to preempt state or local laws that tax or regulate firearm silencers.  

**S.59  The Hearing Protection Act of 2017**
Sponsor: Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]  
Official Titles as Introduced: A bill to provide that silencers be treated the same as long guns. This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) eliminate the $200 transfer tax on firearm silencers, and (2) treat any person who acquires or possesses a firearm silencer as meeting any registration or licensing requirements of the National Firearms Act with respect to such silencer. Any person who pays a transfer tax on a silencer after January 9, 2017, may receive a refund of such tax.  

**H.R.38  Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017**
Original cosponsors include: Sanford, Mark [R-SC-1]; Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]  
Other cosponsors include: Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]; Gowdy, Trey [R-SC-4]; Rice, Tom, [R-SC-7]  
Introduced 02/03/2017
Summary: This bill amends the federal criminal code to allow a qualified individual to carry a concealed handgun into or possess a concealed handgun in another state that allows individuals to carry concealed firearms. A qualified individual must: (1) be eligible to possess, transport, or receive a firearm under federal law; (2) carry a valid photo identification document; and (3) carry a valid concealed carry permit issued by, or be eligible to carry a concealed firearm in, his or her state of residence. Additionally, the bill specifies that a qualified individual who lawfully carries or possesses a concealed handgun in another state: (1) is not subject to the federal prohibition on possessing a firearm in a school zone, and (2) may carry or possess the concealed handgun in federally owned lands that are open to the public.  

**H.R.34  Safe Students Act**
Official Title as Introduced: To repeal the Gun-Free School Zones Act of 1990 and amendments to that Act.  
Summary: This bill amends the federal criminal code to repeal provisions that prohibit the possession or discharge of a firearm in a school zone.  

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