What are we telling Americans with such absurd bills? You can no longer have a home-defense weapon accessible to protect your family from criminals? Home invasion, armed gang members and armed robbery is on the rise, we need access to our weapons.

As retired law enforcement of 25 years of service, I can tell you I have never handled a case where a minor gained access to a family weapon and killed, maimed or accidentally discharged a firearm. This bill only serves to infringe on our constitutional rights and is one more chip at the foundation of our rights.

We don't need more government, we need less. This bill tells parents "your too stupid to raise your children correctly so Uncle Sam will step in". How about just dealing with the violators rather than persecuting all of us who hold our rights dearly.? We are talking about less than 200 incidents nation wide. We have more children accidentally killed by knives, cars and dogs than firearms. How about educating our children and parents rather than governing their parenting skills?

Please don't infringe upon my rights as an ex-service member who served to protect them, not to surrender them, Sincerely,

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"Therefore if God gave to them the same gift as He gave to us also after believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ACTS 11:17