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To those tyrants who wish to curtail our rights as living, sentient beings further, heed my words. Gun control has only ever negatively effected minorities and the weak, and never positively. Young, single mothers who have escaped dangerous relationships with their abusers, young men and women whomst are forced to live in poor neighborhoods afflicted with violence and organized crime¹, will be disarmed, our young men and women fighting for our country, the best of us, who are some of the most qualified to hold firearms in this country, would be denied based on this bill just because they went overseas or suffered from some trauma physically or mentally.²

Mental health is notoriously bent on observant politics based on popular trends of the times. With our current system, to deny anyone with a criminal record is the only just way and is the fair way. The 4473 we have now is more than enough, and is also unconstitutional because the ATF keeps a log of it even though they legally shouldn't.³ The NFA and more widely known ATF is repugnant to our constitution and frequently, if not at all times, operates outside its authority. It uses the power of the purse that the government provides to overwhelm and stretch legal cases to the point where if a defendant would normally win, they would lose de facto due to the sheer enormity of burdens the ATF applies to said defendant attempting to defend against the ATF's encroachment on their civil liberties. All firearm laws have the intent of keeping the peasants, peasantry, and the rich, who can afford the luxury of armed guards with fully automatic rifles and pistols, such as the ones who guard you as you read this, richer⁴. As they slam more draconian laws through the political pipeline, sponsored by our leftist peers, I ask for a bit of sanity and point to our 1st, 4th, 5th and most importantly, the 2nd Amendment. They are all written very simply, and the second does not require a degree to understand.

¹ <https://www.newsweek.com/homicides-are-nearly-30-major-us-cities-1742243>

² <https://www.dav.org/learn-more/news/2018/veterans-guns/>

³ <https://freerangeamerican.us/atf-form-4473-database/>

⁴ <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/gun-homicide-linked-to-poor-social-mobility/>