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SB243

I STRONGLY OPPOSE this bill, and urge the legislature to ABANDON the efforts here, and side with our Federally Protected rights as American Citizens.

Rapid Fire Activators: This does nothing more than attempt to make criminals out of law abiding citizens, and infringe on our rights. The proper legal analysis for items is how are they legally used, not how might they be misused. Take cars for example, are we going to ban them because someone could drive into a crowd of people killing many? Or because they could drive drunk? No, that's absurd, and so is this section of the bill. The rate of fire of a firearm does not make a firearm illegal, nor should that be a measure of consideration. There are many people that can achieve a very high rate of fire with their finger, shoulder, and a standard trigger. It can also be done with a belt loop. Shall we ban belt loops too?

This bill incorrectly attempts to group Force Reset, Binary and other semi-automatic triggers with Glock Switches (which are legally machine guns). Then there's the included provision that an FRT and other "rapid fire activators" can only be possessed in lawfully registered machine guns. This is absurd because they don't meet the definition of machine guns, and cannot be registered. Furthermore a machine gun is defined by action of the trigger, so if you installed a FRT into a firearm that WAS a lawfully registered machine gun, it's NO LONGER a machine gun.

Federal law does not define a 'Machine Gun' by rate of fire, it defines it by mechanical mechanism, "Function of the trigger". Defining a machine gun by "Rate of Fire" would be arbitrary and a firearm would be considered 'Semi-auto' in the hands of one person and a 'Machine Gun' in the hands of another. There are hundreds of thousands of so called 'Rapid Fire Activators' in common use by Americans for lawful purposes. That is the Heller methodology, these triggers cannot be banned. All this law will do is seek to create criminals, and subject the state to large amounts of federal and state litigation, wasting taxpayer dollars. I urge you to abandon this folly!

CHL Restrictions: This seeks to move the goal posts again of where 2A protected rights may be exercised, and narrows the rights of the people. While the argument about

public safety is often used, and not relevant because NYSPRA v Bruen struck down INTEREST BALANCING: Concealed carry holders are NOT a threat to public safety, and are not criminals. However, this seeks to make the exercising of a

constitutionally protected right a crime. This is literal tyranny.

The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

A persons right to carry inside and outside of the home for defense and other lawful purposes is protected by the Second and Fourteenth amendments.

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I urge the state to change course, the content of this bill, and similar bills are designed to erode the rights of the people. The same tactic was used in Nazi Germany to slowly strip the rights away from the people before Hitler seized control. America is founded on principles of FREEDOM and LIBERTY. Stop trying to enact TYRANNY. If the state legislature as a whole will not STOP this nonsense. I urge ALL CONSERVATIVES TO DENY QUORUM, THESE SHALL NOT PASS! The peoples

rights are more important than your political careers

Furthermore should this bill pass, I urge ALL CITIZENS to vote for REPLACEMENTS to the current reps at the next Primary. I also urge everyone to contact the US DOJ Civil Rights Division and file complaints.