



# POTSHOTS

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## BEARING ARMS

**Veterans' Gun Rights in Jeopardy Unless Congress Acts**

**Google's Gemini AI Gives Anti-Gun Responses**

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**Biden Admin Firearms Export Pause Puts Allies in Danger, Hurts American Business**

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**Concealed carry keeps growing in Colorado; over 25,000 new permits in 2023**

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**More Anti-Gun Groups Fabricating Mass-Shooting Data**

## The Firearms Coalition of Colorado 03-02-2024 Legislative Alert

(Bills listed by Bill Number. Please mark your calendar.)

**HB24-1015, Suicide Prevention in the Workplace**, Rep. Vigil, Sen. Michaelson-Jenet. This measure stigmatizes guns and indoctrinates workers against their possession. The bill is pending in House Appropriations. **We oppose this bill as written.**

**HB24-1066, Concerning Methods to Prevent Workplace Violence in Certain Health-Care Settings**, Reps. Hamrick and Garcia, Sens. Michaelson-Jenet, and Gonzales. This proposal will ban concealed carry in almost all health care settings. Pending in House Appropriations. **We oppose.**

**HB24-1123, Firearm Detection Software for Use in Schools**, Rep. Bradley, Sen. Van Winkle. This measure would facilitate purchase of recognition software to detect exposed firearms using school security camera systems. Testimony on the measure was heard and bill was laid over for action only in the House Education Committee on 02-28-2024. **We support this bill. [Continue reading for update below](#)**

**HB24-1174, Concealed Carry Permits and Training**, Reps. Duran and Snyder, Sen. Mullica. This bill will make it harder to get a concealed carry permit and requires that instructors be certified by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. This bill is up in the House Finance Committee at 1:30 pm on Monday, 03-04-2024 in House Committee Room 0112. **We oppose this bill. [Continue reading for update below](#)**

**HB24-1270, Firearm Liability Insurance**, Reps. Woodrow and Jodeh, Sen. Hansen. This measure requires all firearms owners to maintain liability insurance. Bill assigned to the House Business Affairs Committee. No hearing date yet. **Oppose. [Continue reading for update below](#)**

**HB24-1292, Semi-auto Ban**, Reps. Hernandez, and Epps, et. al., no Sen. sponsor on introduction. Bill bans manufacturing, importation, sale or transfer of many semi-auto long guns and pistols. Bill pending in House Judiciary Committee. **Oppose.**

**HB24-1310, School Safety Measures**, Reps. Parenti and Hamrick, no Senate Sponsor. This bill kills the beneficial FASTER Program that trains interested school employees in armed self-defense. The bill is up in the House Education Committee at 1:30 pm on Thursday, 03-14-2024 in House Committee Room 0107. **We oppose the bill. [Continue reading for update below](#)**

**HB24-1348, Secure Firearm Storage in a Vehicle**, Reps. Velasco and Garcia, Sens. Jaques Lewis and Fields. The bill requires storage of firearms in an unattended vehicle in a locked, hard case out of sight in either the passenger compartment or in the trunk. This bill combined with SB24-131 will make it extremely hard to safely carry concealed in Colorado. Bill is pending in the House Judiciary Committee. **We oppose the measure.**

**HB24-1349, Firearms and Ammunition Excise Tax**, Reps. Duran, Lindstedt, No Senate sponsor on introduction. This November ballot measure levies an 11% tax on guns, ammo, and firearm "precursor parts." (This burden is in addition to the 11% Pittman-Robertson Federal tax.) This new state tax on the exercise of a Constitutional Right will fall heaviest on our most economically disadvantaged citizens. Bill is up in House Finance at 1:30 pm on Monday, 03-25-2024 in House Committee Room 0112. **We oppose this bill. [Continue reading for update below.](#)**

**HB24-1353, Firearms Dealer Requirements and Permit**, Reps. Sirota and Bosenecker, Sen. Bridges. In case there are any gun dealers left in Colorado after previous legislation, this bill should cause them to close or leave. The bill adds a state layer of bureaucracy and complexity to current federal rules and regulations. The bill is pending in the House Business Affairs Committee. **We oppose the measure.** [Continue reading for update below](#)

**SB24-003, Authority of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation to Investigate Illegal Activity Involving Firearms**, Sen. Sullivan, Rep. Froelich. The bill is pending in the Senate Appropriations Committee. **We oppose this bill.**

**SB24-057, Program to Prevent Suicide in the Agricultural Workforce**, Sen. Sullivan, Reps. Froelich and Amabile. This bill will add to the "Guns are bad!" propaganda campaign. Bill pending in the Senate Appropriations Committee. **Oppose this measure.**

**SB24-066, Requirement that Certain Businesses with Relationships with Firearms Merchants Use the Appropriate Merchant Category Code**, Sen. Sullivan, Rep. Froelich. This measure flags credit card transactions between buyers and local gun dealers. This bill passed the Senate and moved over to the House. It is pending in the House Business Affairs Committee. **Oppose.** [Continue reading for update below](#)

**SB24-107, Weapons Possession by a Previous Offender, Additional Crimes**, Sen. Gardner, Rep. Evans. This bill adds felony convictions for drug making and dealing, and first and second-degree motor vehicle theft to the list of crimes that prohibit a person from owning a firearm. The bill passed Senate Judiciary Committee 02-28-2024. Pending in Senate Appropriations. **Support.**

**SB24-131, Prohibit Carrying Firearms in Sensitive Places**, Sens. Jaquez-Lewis and Kolker, Reps. Brown, Lindsay, and Froelich. This measure severely limits places where firearms may be carried in Colorado. The bill is up in Senate Judiciary on Wednesday, 3-13-2024 at 1:30 pm in the Old Supreme Court Chambers. **We oppose this bill.** [Continue reading for update below](#)

#### 03-05-2024 Legislative Alert

**HB24-1123, Firearm Detection Software for Use in Schools**, Rep. Bradley, Sen. Van Winkle. This measure would facilitate purchase of recognition software to detect exposed firearms using school security camera systems. Bill is up for action only in the House Education Committee at 1:30 pm on Thursday 03-21-2024 in House Committee Room (HCR) 0107. **We support this bill.**

**HB24-1174, Concealed Carry Permits and Training**, Reps. Duran and Snyder, Sen. Mullica. This bill will make it harder to get a concealed carry permit and requires that instructors be certified by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. This bill passed the House Finance Committee 03-04-2024 on a Party Line Vote. It is up for Second Reading in the House. Not yet scheduled. **We oppose this bill.**

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To reach your Senator, call: 303-866-2316. To reach your Representative, call: 303-866-2904. You can locate your elected officials on the State Web Site at: <https://leg.colorado.gov/find-my-legislator>.

Follow us at: <https://groups.io/g/gunissues>. (May need to copy and paste.) (You must sign on to join this group.)

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**The Firearms Coalition of Colorado, PO Box 1454, Englewood, CO 80150-1454**

**Keep Reading: Comments by the National Rifle Association (NRA) and others follows.....**

## Colorado: Anti-Gun Bills Continue to Move through the State Legislature

Two anti-gun bills continue to move in the Colorado State Legislature. **HB24-1174**, introduced by Majority Leader Monica Duran (D-HD 23), is set to be heard next week in the House Finance Committee and **HB24-1310**, introduced by Rep. Jennifer Parenti (D-HD 19), is set to be heard by the House Education Committee on March 14th.

**HB24-1174**, increases the training requirements for concealed carry permit applicants and requires class instructors to be certified by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. This legislation is a solution in search of a problem, meant to harass gun owners and instructors by arbitrarily raising the qualification standards and likely the costs, despite not showing any existing deficiency in the current training standards. HB24-1174 will be heard in the House Finance Committee on Monday, March 4th at 1:30 p.m. Please use the button below to contact committee members and urge them to **OPPOSE HB24-1174!**

**HB24-1310**, strips teachers and other school professionals of their ability to carry a concealed firearm on school grounds. Armed school personnel can act as first responders and robbing them of the ability to protect their students and coworkers only makes schools less safe. This bill also ends the very successful FASTER Colorado program, and bans carry on college campuses. This legislation fails to offer any solutions in the ongoing effort to secure our schools but removes safeguards and deterrents to those wishing to do harm. This legislation is scheduled to be heard in the House Education Committee on March 14th at 1:30 p.m. Please use the button below to contact committee members and urge them to **OPPOSE HB24-1310!**

**HB 24-1348** mandates that firearms stored in unattended vehicles must be kept in a locked hard-sided container that is kept out of view or within the locked trunk of the vehicle. The bill creates civil penalties for infractions.

**HB 24-1349** creates an 11% excise tax on the sale of all firearms, firearm accessories, and ammunition in the state. If passed, the tax will be on the ballot this Fall. Firearms and ammunition are already subject to an 11% federal excise tax through the Pittman-Robertson Act, along with a variety of other state and local taxes and fees. California is the only other state to enact similar legislation. This tax should be seen as nothing more than an attack on the Second Amendment and those who exercise their rights under it.

The NRA-ILA will work diligently to defend your Second Amendment rights by opposing bills like SB24-066 and HB24-1174. Continue to check your inbox and the NRA-ILA website for updates concerning your Second Amendment Rights and hunting heritage in Colorado.

**NRA-ILA**  
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**Colorado Dems Push Anti-Gun Tax**

From a local political figure, CCGC member, and Potshots reader comes this advice in our current anti-gun climate.

The link below goes to a list of all of the 2024 Colorado Legislators with email addresses and phone numbers. Please distribute it as you need to.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ejh\\_LYx99-TolVlFGLKeRQLaRvgKch7L/edit?usp=drive\\_link&ouid=111465539416283430055&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ejh_LYx99-TolVlFGLKeRQLaRvgKch7L/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=111465539416283430055&rtpof=true&sd=true)

For anyone not sure who their representatives are, find your Colorado House and Senate representative here: [Find My Legislator | Colorado General Assembly](#)

It helps to contact bill sponsors, committee members, and legislators in general as these (awful) bills move through the legislative process.

Numbers count. You can contact any legislator, not just yours. Calls, emails, and Statehouse visits count.

***“The difficult is what takes a little time;  
the impossible is what takes a little longer.”***

***Fridtjof Nansen***



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**Video: The Many Ways Colorado Wants to Disarm Its Citizens**



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**Believing These 21 Survival Myths Could Get You Killed**



**Can We Eventually Expect This in Colorado? Democrats Send Nearly 40 Anti-Gun Measures To Governor**



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**State UCR Programs Point To Lower Murder & Violent Crime In 2023**



**Gun owners care.**

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**.38 Wadcutters: Don't Overlook This Bullseye Classic**

**Open Sights: Good for Nothing?**



**Why Pistol Caliber Carbines?**

***False Assumptions: You Most Certainly Can Carry A Larger Gun***



**Body Armor For Beginners**

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**Meet the Trebuchet, the Castle-crushing Catapult of the Middle Ages**





# TANNER GUN SHOW

MAR 08

Denver Gun Show – Mar 8-10 2024

March 8 @ 3:00 pm - March 10 @ 4:00 pm

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Colorado Springs Gun Show – Mar 29 – 31 2024

March 29 @ 3:00 pm - March 31 @ 4:00 pm

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Aurora Gun Show – April 19 – 21 2024

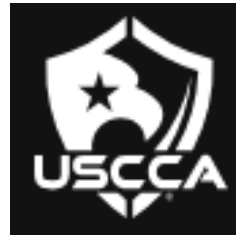
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## Concealed Carry Reciprocity Map & Gun Laws by State



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USCCA Policy Review:  
[https://youtube.com/watch?v=6lOaE6EqR\\_0](https://youtube.com/watch?v=6lOaE6EqR_0)

FLP Policy Review:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6lOaE6EqR\\_0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6lOaE6EqR_0)

US Law Shield Policy Review:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1dHLx1Txots>

CCW Safe Policy Review:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6qS0eCcdpY>



## Firearm Instructor Insurance: Covers the costs associated with third party injury and property damage

### CYBERSECURITY TIPS

Whether traveling for business or pleasure, following these simple tips can ensure your devices are secure.

1. Update your software before you go.
2. Don't connect to unsecure wireless networks.
3. Think before you connect to public Wi-Fi.
4. Guard your devices.



## Reloading Data Center



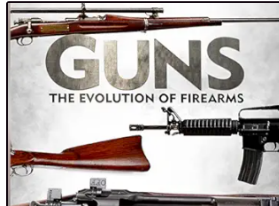
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