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The Firearms Coalition of Colorado

06-10-2024 Legislative Alert- Chance for Input into Blue Book Language for HB24-1349, The Gun and Ammunition Excise Tax

This information is from the Legislative Council Staff at the State Capitol regarding the 6.5% gun and ammunition excise tax proposal that will be on the ballot in the November Election. Victim advocate organizations have been desperately searching for funding sources to make up for the anticipated loss of federal dollars. In conjunction with anti-Second Amendment activists in and out of the State Legislature, the Colorado Democrats passed HB 24-1349 to provide long-term funding for victim support groups on the backs of law-abiding gun owners.

Colorado law requires that development of the ballot information booklet (the blue book) which is sent to every voter in the state before an election, incorporates comment opportunities for interested citizens. We believe that every possible effort should be made through comments to ensure that voters know that the tax is aimed at the legitimate exercise of a constitutional right.

While it is doubtful that the voters of Colorado would vote for a poll tax on the right to vote, the coalition pushing the 6.5% excise tax seems to have no problem taxing the right to keep and bear arms. It might be pointed out in comments that the tax will fall hardest on those least able to afford it. Among economically-disadvantaged communities, the tax will reduce citizens' abilities to purchase higher quality firearms and to pay for range time, ammunition, and training to become safe, proficient gun owners.

Please familiarize yourself with the below information and consider the opportunity to comment on the process. Be aware that your name, e-mail address, and comments will become public records, just as if you testified before the legislature during the session.

From: LCS Firearms and Ammunition Excise Tax HB24-1349 <firearmsexcisetax2024@coleg.gov>

Sent: Friday, May 31, 2024 at 04:07:06 PM MDT

Participation in HB 24-1349 (Firearms & Ammunition Excise Tax) Blue Book

To Interested Parties:

You are receiving this email because of your interest in the ballot measure for House Bill 24-1349, Firearms & Ammunition Excise Tax. Legislative Council Staff (LCS) is beginning to work on the ballot analysis for this measure in preparation for the 2024 ballot information booklet (blue book). A memo providing an overview of the process for writing the ballot information booklet is attached.

As noted in the memo, everyone electing to be added to the mailing list for a particular ballot measure receives a copy of subsequent drafts of the analysis and has the opportunity to comment on these drafts throughout the process. Once a draft is complete, it is emailed and placed on the internet, allowing comments by any interested person. By law, all comments submitted to Legislative Council Staff must include the name of the person(s) submitting the comment and the name of the organization the person(s) represents or is affiliated with for purposes of making the comments. Legislative Council Staff also requires an email address. The mailing lists and all comments become public information upon release of the next draft.

All interested parties may use the following link to opt in to the process: <https://leg.colorado.gov/BallotAnalysis>

The button titled Subscribe to Ballot Analysis Mailing Lists on the linked page allows you to subscribe and receive the drafts of this measure's ballot analysis, or the drafts for any other potential ballot measures. You must opt in and subscribe to the process in order to receive future correspondence regarding the ballot analyses. You may also forward this sign-up link to others who might be interested in participating in the ballot analysis process.

If you have concerns or questions regarding the ballot analysis process, you can contact me directly, or call 303-866-3521 to speak to Julia Jackson, LCS Ballot Analysis Lead, or LCS Director Natalie Castle.

Firearms & Ammunition Excise Tax Blue Book Writing Team

firearmsexcisetax2024@coleg.gov

Participant Process Memo 2024 (2).pdf

It is especially important to be polite to the Legislative Council Staff who are writing the language in the Blue Book. There is likely to be a lot of pressure from the majority party and the groups who will benefit from the tax to portray this process as a just and proper way to help alleviate the “damage” caused by “gun violence,” and by extension, by the civilian ownership of firearms in Colorado. They will no doubt employ what David Horowitz has described as “the romance of the underdog” to talk about the worthiness of the beneficiaries of this tax.

There is no doubt that many victims’ assistance programs provide valuable support to persons who have been impacted by all kinds of violence and abuse. Proponents are likely to ignore the beneficial effects of gun ownership, as explained by Florida Researcher Gary Kleck, including up to 2.5 million crime-stopping defensive gun uses each year, in most cases without a shot being fired.

The legislative sponsors of this tax had the chance to pay for victims’ assistance programs out of other funding sources. They chose to make it more difficult for law-abiding citizens of Colorado to exercise their natural right to armed self-defense.

Please participate in the process to create a balanced presentation of this tax in the Blue Book.

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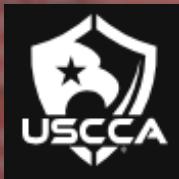
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NSSF-Adjusted NICS Background Checks for May 2024

NICSThe May 2024 NSSF-adjusted National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) figure of 1,089,117 is a decrease of 7.2 percent compared to the May 2023 NSSF-adjusted NICS figure of 1,174,142. For comparison, the unadjusted May 2024 FBI NICS figure of 2,000,505 reflects a 14.6 percent decrease from the unadjusted FBI NICS figure of 2,343,850 in May 2023. May 2024 marks the 58th month in a row that has exceeded 1 million adjusted background checks in a single month.



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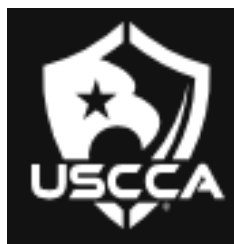
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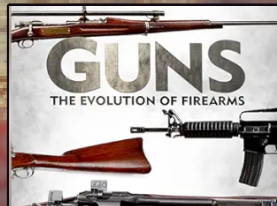
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