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## **CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE**

### ***GUN BILL ACTION ALERT***

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**This *Gaines & Associates “California State Legislature – GUN BILL ACTION ALERT”* will provide you with the current status of those gun-control proposals currently pending at the State Capitol which would have the greatest impact on sporting arms and the hunting/shooting community. Due to the unbelievably large number of gun bills now pending, not all firearms-related bills are listed.**

*Bills are placed in order of bill number, not priority or severity. To view the most current text and/or associated information of any of the bills, click on the bill number and author in [blue text](#).*

***PLEASE HELP PROTECT OUR SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS BY CONTACTING YOUR ASSEMBLY MEMBER AND/OR SENATOR TO URGE THEM TO STRONGLY OPPOSE EACH OF THE BELOW GUN CONTROL BILLS***

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- **[AB 156 \(McCarty/De Leon\)](#) – Ammunition Regulation – **OPPOSE****  
AB 156 by Assembly Member Kevin McCarty (D/07-Sacramento) and Senator Kevin de Leon (D/24-Los Angeles) would require all ammunition vendors to obtain an ammunition vendor license and require the Department of Justice (DOJ) to maintain a detailed database on vendors. The measure would also require DOJ to establish a similar database on those who purchase ammunition including their name; date of birth; address; driver's license number; and brand, type, amount and date of sale of ammunition purchased. In addition, the bill would require DOJ to electronically approve the purchase or transfer of ammunition to the buyer by cross-referencing their information with data maintained in the Automated Firearms System (AFS). The bill would also require ammunition to be purchased “face-to-face” with few exceptions – thus largely prohibiting all internet and mail order purchases unless done through a licensed dealer. Further, the bill would

limit the transfer of ammunition between hunting or shooting partners, and even family.

*A “two-year” bill introduced in January 2015 to deal with global warming, AB 156 passed through the Assembly and out of Senate Policy Committee by mid-July of last year. Gutted and amended with new language to attack ammunition purchases in early May 2016, AB 156 quickly passed out of Senate Fiscal Committee and off of the Senate Floor in two short weeks. The bill is now back in the Assembly for concurrence on the amendments and could be voted on at any time. **Please contact your Assembly representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to AB 156.***

To view the Senate Floor analysis on AB 156, click [AB 156 - Senate Floor Analysis](#)

- **[AB 1135 \(Levine/Ting\)](#) – Assault Weapons – **OPPOSE****  
AB 1135, legislation by Assembly Members Marc Levine (D/10-San Rafael) and Philip Y. Ting (D/19-San Francisco), would reclassify some common semi-automatic hunting rifles as assault weapons. Specifically, AB 1135 would amend the definition of assault weapon to refer to a firearm that has one of several specified features and does not have a "fixed magazine", rather than a firearm with the "capacity to accept a detachable magazine". AB 1135 would also close the “bullet button” loop hole by expanding the legal definition of “detachable magazine” to mean an ammunition feeding device that can be easily removed from the firearm without disassembly of the firearm action, or with the use of a tool. This bill would exempt firearms legally possessed prior to January 1, 2017, but would require any person who – from January 1, 2001, to December 31, 2016 – lawfully possessed an assault weapon that does not have a fixed magazine, including those firearms with an ammunition feeding device that can be removed with a tool, to register the firearm before January 1, 2018.

*A “two-year” bill introduced in February 2015 to deal with agricultural products, AB 1135 passed through the Assembly and into the Senate by May 2015. In early May 2016, with AB 1135 already through the Senate, the bill was gutted and amended to deal with assault weapons. Just two weeks later, in mid-May, AB 1135 had passed through the Senate and was back in the Assembly for concurrence of the recent sweeping amendments taken on the Senate side. AB 1135 could be voted on at any time. **Please contact your Assembly representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to AB 1135.***

To view the Senate Floor analysis on AB 1135, click [AB 1135 - Senate Floor Analysis](#)

- **[AB 1511 \(Sanitago/Chiu\)](#) – Firearms: Lending – **OPPOSE****  
AB 1511 by Assembly Members Miguel Santiago (D/53-Los Angeles) and David Chiu (D/17-San Francisco) would require the loan of a firearm to anyone – except

a spouse or registered domestic partner, or to a parent, child, sibling, grandparent, or grandchild – to be conducted through a licensed firearms dealer. The bill would require any handgun loaned to be registered to the person loaning the handgun.

Currently, law allows for the loan of a firearm between persons who are personally known to each other, if the loan is infrequent and does not exceed 30 days in duration.

*AB 1511 is a “two-year” bill introduced in May of 2015 to deal with energy. In early May 2016, with the bill already through the Senate, AB 1511 was gutted and amended to deal with the loaning of a firearm. Just two weeks later, in mid-May, AB 1511, as amended, had passed through the Senate and was back in the Assembly for concurrence of the recent sweeping amendments taken on the Senate side. AB 1511 could be voted on at any time. **Please contact your Assembly representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to AB 1511.***

To view the Senate Floor analysis on AB 1511, click [AB 1511 - Senate Floor Analysis](#)

- **[AB 1664 \(Levine/Ting\)](#) – Assault Weapons – **OPPOSE****  
AB 1664, introduced by Assembly Members Marc Levine (D/10-San Rafael) and Philip Y. Ting (D/19-San Francisco), would close the “[bullet button](#)” loop hole by expanding the legal definition of “detachable magazine” to mean an ammunition feeding device that can be easily removed from the firearm without disassembly of the firearm action, or with the use of a tool. AB 1664 would leave the current requirement in the code that, to qualify as an assault weapon, a centerfire rifle must have the capacity to accept a detachable magazine *and* any one of several other specified attributes – including a thumbhole stock or forward pistol grip. Effectively, AB 1664 would prohibit the future sale, purchase, manufacture, importation or transfer of many semi-automatic rifles that can accept a detachable magazine. AB 1664 would also require those who lawfully possessed an assault weapon that does not have a fixed magazine between January 1, 2001, and December 31, 2016, inclusive, to register the firearm by July 1, 2018.

*AB 1664 passed off the Assembly Floor and over to the Senate on June 1<sup>st</sup>, and will next be heard in the Senate Public Safety Committee on June 14<sup>th</sup>. **Please contact your Senate representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to AB 1664. If you would like to attend the Senate Public Safety Committee hearing, it will be held at the State Capitol beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, in the Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (Room 2040).***

To view the Assembly Floor analysis of AB 1664, click [AB 1664 – Assembly Floor Analysis](#)

- **[AB 1674 \(Santiago\)](#) – Firearm Transfers – **OPPOSE****  
AB 1674 by Assembly Member Miguel Santiago (D/53-Los Angeles) would extend the law which currently prohibits an individual from acquiring more than one handgun within any 30-day period to *all* firearms – including common shotguns and rifles used for hunting. The bill would also eliminate the private party transaction exemption to that 30-day prohibition and instead only exempt a transfer conducted through a licensed dealer – if the firearm is being transferred by bequest or intestate succession.

*AB 1674 passed off the Assembly Floor and over to the Senate on June 1st, and will next be heard in the Senate Public Safety Committee on June 14th. Please contact your Senate representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to AB 1674. If you would like to attend the Senate Public Safety Committee hearing, it will be held at the State Capitol beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, in the Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (Room 2040).*

To view the Assembly Floor analysis of AB 1674, click [AB 1674 – Assy Floor Analysis](#)

- **[AB 1695 \(Bonta\)](#) – False Reports of Stolen Firearms – **OPPOSE****  
AB 1695 by Assembly Member Rob Bonta (D/18-Oakland) would make it a misdemeanor to falsely report to law enforcement that a firearm has been lost or stolen. Further, the bill would preclude any person convicted of violating the provision from owning a firearm for 10 years. AB 1695 would set poor precedent in that, historically, misdemeanors that carry a 10-year prohibition on the possession of firearms have been limited to violent crimes.

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To view the Assembly Floor analysis of AB 1695, click [AB 1695 – Assy Floor Analysis](#)

- **[SB 880 \(Hall/Glazer\)](#) – Assault Weapons – **OPPOSE****  
SB 880 by Senators Isadore Hall (D/35-San Pedro) and Steven Glazer (D/07-Walnut Creek) would revise the definition of assault weapon to refer to a semi-automatic centerfire rifle, or a semi-automatic pistol that has one of several specified “military type” features and “does not have a fixed magazine”, rather than a firearm that has the “capacity to accept a detachable magazine.” Further, SB 880 also attempt to address the “bullet button” loop hole by redefining “fixed magazine” as “an ammunition feeding device contained in, or permanently

attached to, the firearm in such a manner that the device cannot be removed without disassembly of the firearm action.

Finally, the bill would require any person who lawfully has possessed an assault weapon from January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2016 that does not have a fixed magazine, as defined, including those with a "bullet button" magazine release, to register the firearm before January 1, 2018.

*SB 880 passed off of the Senate Floor in mid-May and is now in the Assembly, where it will be heard in the Assembly Public Safety Committee on June 14th. Please contact your Assembly representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to SB 880. If you would like to attend the Assembly Public Safety Committee hearing, it will be held at the State Capitol beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, in Room 126.*

To view the Senate Floor analysis of SB 880, click [SB 880 – Senate Floor Analysis](#)

- **[SB 894 \(Jackson\)](#) – Lost or Stolen Firearm: Reporting – **OPPOSE****  
SB 894 by Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson (D/19-Santa Barbara) would require every person to report the theft or loss of a firearm they own or possess to a local law enforcement agency within 5 days of the time they knew or reasonably should have known that the firearm had been stolen or lost. The bill also requires every person who has reported a firearm lost or stolen to notify the local law enforcement agency within 48 hours if the firearm is subsequently recovered. By making it a crime if legal firearm owners don't report their firearms as lost or stolen by a time certain, SB 894 would make criminals out of law-abiding victims.

*SB 894 passed off of the Senate Floor in mid-May and is now in the Assembly, where it will be heard in the Assembly Public Safety Committee on June 14th. Please contact your Assembly representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to SB 894. If you would like to attend the Assembly Public Safety Committee hearing, it will be held at the State Capitol beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14th, in Room 126.*

To view the Senate Floor analysis of SB 894, click [SB 894 – Senate Floor Analysis](#)

- **[SB 1235 \(de Leon\)](#) – Ammunition Regulation – **OPPOSE****  
SB 1235 by Senator Kevin de Leon (D/24-Los Angeles) would, among many other things, require all ammunition vendors to obtain an ammunition vendor license and require DOJ to maintain a detailed database on vendors; require DOJ to establish a database on those who purchase ammunition including their name; date of birth; address; driver's license number; and brand, type, amount and date of sale of ammunition purchased; require DOJ to electronically approve the

purchase or transfer of ammunition to the buyer by cross-referencing their information with data maintained in the Automated Firearms System; and require ammunition to be purchased “face-to-face” with few exceptions – thus prohibiting all internet and mail order purchases unless done through a licensed dealer.

*SB 1235 was originally introduced in February 2016 to deal with public employees’ retirements. In early May 2016, after the bill had already passed through Senate Policy Committee, SB 1235 was gutted and amended to deal with ammunition regulations. Two short weeks later, SB 1235, as amended, passed off the Senate Floor and over to the Assembly. The bill is scheduled to be next heard in the Assembly Public Safety Committee on June 14th. **Please contact your Assembly representative immediately to voice your strong opposition to SB 1295. If you would like to attend the Assembly Public Safety Committee hearing, it will be held at the State Capitol beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14th, in Room 126.***

To view the Senate Floor analysis on SB 1235, click [SB 1235 - Senate Floor Analysis](#)

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