

# Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy Proposed/Supported Legislation

## Sponsored Legislation

- [HR 2038, the Assault Weapons Ban and Law Enforcement Protection Act:](#) Congresswoman McCarthy has introduced legislation that would make the assault weapon and high-capacity magazine ban permanent, and also significantly strengthen current law. Her bill would expand the definition of “assault weapon” to include post-ban “copy cat” weapons, closes a loophole allowing kits to be sold to modify legal weapons into assault weapons, and enhances the tracing of assault weapons, among other things.
- [HR 3831:](#) Congresswoman McCarthy has introduced legislation with her colleague Congressman Castle of Delaware that would extend the Assault Weapons Ban for another 10-years.
- **National Instant Criminal Background Check Database (NICS) Enhancement** Unfortunately, the states and some Federal agencies do not provide all disqualifying records to the FBI needed for a complete background check for gun purchases. Congresswoman McCarthy has introduced legislation to correct this gap.
- [HR 3237, the NICS Improvement Act:](#) Congresswoman McCarthy’s legislation would provide grants to states to upgrade information and identification technologies for firearms eligibility determinations and require all Federal agencies that have records on persons for whom it is illegal to purchase a firearm to provide that information to the Attorney General for inclusion in NICS.

## Closing the Gun Show Loophole

Because the Brady background check effectively stopped criminals from directly buying guns at licensed gun stores, criminals are forced to find other ways to acquire guns. Criminals have discovered that at gun shows, large numbers of private buyers and sellers come together in one place and sell guns where no background check is required. Criminals have exploited this loophole in the Brady Act to purchase firearms.

- [HR 3832, the Gun Show Loophole Closing Act:](#) Congresswoman McCarthy has sponsored legislation with her colleague Congressman Castle this bill that would close the loophole in our gun laws allowing anyone to purchase a gun at a gun show without undergoing a background check.



## Miscellaneous Gun Safety Legislation

Congresswoman McCarthy is a cosponsor of several pieces of gun safety legislation. For more information on these bills, please refer to <http://thomas.loc.gov>.

- **H.Con.Res 204**, this resolution would express the sense of Congress that a Million Mom March Day (May 13<sup>th</sup>) should be established to pay tribute to the victims of gun violence and celebrate the Million Mom March.
- **HR 218, the Community Protection Act**, this bill would exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns.
- **HR 221, the Anti-Gunrunning Act**, this bill would prohibit selling two or more handguns to a single person (other than a licensed importer, manufacturer or dealer) during any 30-day period.
- **HR 821, the Accidental Shooting Prevention Act**, this bill would prohibit selling any pistol unless the weapon has a visible device indicating the weapon is not loaded and a mechanism preventing a semiautomatic pistol with a detachable ammo magazine from being fired when the magazine is not attached.
- **HR 944**, this bill ensure that amounts in the Victims of Crime fund are fully obligated.
- **HR 1540, the Crackdown on Deadbeat Dealers Act**, this bill would ensure greater accountability by licensed firearms dealers in complying with the Brady Act.
- **HR 2275, the People's Right to Know Act**, this bill would require firearms dealers to comply with the Freedom of Information Act by providing information about firearms purchases.
- **HR 2403, the Firearms Safety and Consumer Protection Act**, this bill would expand the powers of the Attorney General to regulate the manufacture, distribution, and sale of firearms and ammunition.
- **HR 3411, the Juvenile Gun Crime Reporting Act**, this bill would prevent any adult who, as a juvenile, committed an offense that would be a crime of violence if committed as an ad

Information Provided by:

[Brokaw Arms](#)

