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Bill Summary and Position Paper

H.R.5717 & S.3254 **“Gun Apocalypse Bill”**

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NAGR Position: Strongly Oppose

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Summary

Introduced by Rep. Hank C. Johnson Jr. (D-GA-04) and Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), H.R.5717 and S.3254, the so-called “Gun Violence Prevention and Community Safety Act of 2020” is the amalgamation of nearly every single gun control idea ever introduced in Congress.

For the sake of this position paper, H.R. 5717 will be used to refer to this bill since that number has gained a significant amount of notoriety in the Second Amendment community.

H.R.5717 is an omnibus gun control bill -- a wish list of nearly every single gun control measure - all wrapped into one package.

If passed into law, this legislation would infringe on the Second Amendment rights of nearly every American, making it virtually impossible to own, carry, or lawfully use a firearm and ammunition.

The National Association for Gun Rights opposes this legislation in its entirety, and condemns the 19 Representatives and 4 Senate sponsors in the strongest terms.

The legislation, including complete text can be viewed at:

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/5717/text>

H.R. 5717’s Anti-Gun Provisions

- **National Gun License**

Requires all Americans to obtain a federal license to purchase, acquire, or possess a firearm and ammunition – a direct threat to “shall not be infringed”

- **Adult Gun Ban**

Raises the minimum age to purchase any firearm from 18 years to 21 years old. This includes rifles and shotguns, as well as ammunition. Law-abiding adults, aged 18-20 would be left defenseless and without any Second Amendment rights, including military-aged citizens and young single parents.

- **National Gun Registry**

Like legislation before it, this bill would establish a national or “universal” gun registry accomplish this using the pretext of government-mandated background checks.

- **National Waiting Period**

Establishes a national 7 day waiting period before Americans could legally acquire firearms through a Universal Gun Registry. No other constitutional right is subject to a waiting period. A right delayed is a right denied.

- **Federalizes Gun Control Enforcement**

Requires law enforcement agencies to be notified following a firearms-related background check that results in a denial – even though greater than 94% of denials are false positives. This creates un-needed tension between law enforcement and law-abiding citizens who have unjustly been denied their constitutional rights.¹

- **National “Red Flag” Gun Confiscation**

Creates a federal statutory process for implementing a national “Red Flag” Gun Confiscation plan – stripping individuals of their Second Amendment rights without any due process, or presumption of innocence, all based on a mere accusation. This “Red Flag” expansion also creates a national database of “prohibited” persons.

To learn more about “Red Flag” Gun Confiscation, please visit:

<https://nationalgunrights.org/about-us/key-issues/red-flag/>

- **Feinstein’s “Assault Weapons” and Magazine Ban**

Implements a nationwide so-called “assault weapons” and standard capacity magazine ban, rendering commonly owned semi-automatic firearms and magazines totally illegal. For a more in-depth exploration of so-called “assault weapons” bans, please visit: <https://nationalgunrights.org/default/assets/File/AWB%20One%20Pager%20Final.pdf>

¹ [Crime Prevention Research Center, 7/10/2015](#)

- **Runs Gun Makers Out of Business**

Removes limitations on the civil liability of gun manufacturers, allowing frivolous lawsuits against firearms manufactures when criminals use firearms in an illegal manner.

- **Federal Bureaucracy to Regulate Gun Parts**

Allows the Consumer Product Safety Commission to issue safety standards for firearms and firearm components – giving government bureaucrats the ability to restrict and dictate how firearms are made.

- **Wastes Taxpayers Money on Gun Control**

Establishes a “community violence intervention grant program” which is nothing more than federal tax dollars being used to expand gun control programs.

- **Outlaws Campus Carry**

Extends the federal Gun Free School Zones Act to all colleges and universities – regardless of their public or private status – and regardless if the institution allows lawfully concealed carry, leaving college aged women vulnerable to stalkers.

NAGR Position: OPPOSE

NAGR opposes H.R.5717. This bill is the complete antithesis of the Second Amendment. It violates the Second, Fourth and Fifth Amendment rights of all Americans.

At best, H.R.5717 is merely election year posturing by failed anti-gun presidential candidates. At worst, it’s a prelude for what is to come should gun grabbers seize control of both chambers of congress in the upcoming elections.

The sponsorship, co-sponsorship, or vote to advance H.R.5717 similar legislation, regardless of party, will be viewed by gun owners as akin to support for eviscerating the Second Amendment and the right to keep and bear arms for generations to come.

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