



Our Own Worst Enemy

By Corey Graff, Executive Director

together with Chuck Schumer and Dianne Feinstein to push the latest Washington idea, “universal background checks.”

The institutional gun lobby is buying into it hook, line and sinker. As a result, many gun owners never hear the truth, that universal background checks are really just a repackaged way of saying Universal Gun Registration.

Let’s get one thing straight. The background check system is a gun control scheme invented by Jim and Sarah Brady and the anti-gun lobby who pushed it into law with the help of the political compromisers working for the institutional gun lobby. That is historical fact.

I hate it when I’m right, but two years ago when we opposed attempts by these same parties — one completely evil, the other politically inept — we argued that adding so-called mental health data to the National Instant Check System (NICS) opened the door to even more abuses of power and due process.

Already countless gun owners, many who are veterans, are being denied their right to buy a new firearm because of some arbitrary medical ruling in their past that is being drudged up and used against them. There’s no prosecutor. No charges. No jury.

Now, following the shocking murder of 26 people in yet another Gun Free Zone, the Obama administration is getting all the help it needs to beef up and expand these anti-gun measures thanks to republicans like Paul Ryan and Tom Coburn.

After scaring the living daylights

out of gun owners with threats of banning hundreds of specified types of semi-automatic rifles, plus any magazine that holds more than ten rounds, these zealots have executed a masterful strategic move by backing off and offering a “reasonable” compromise.

There’s just one problem: No compromise is on the table. By ramming through universal background checks (national gun registration), gun-trafficking (gun owner entrapment), and mental health screenings (bogus science) gun owners duped by this trickery are giving anti-gunners a trifecta grand slam victory, while the gun banners give up nothing in return.

And just like Winston Churchill, who warned that an appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile, hoping it will devour him last, the anti-gunners sense our weakness and are working their way through state legislatures ramming one gun ban bill through after another.

They are working hard to get anti-gun bills enacted in Wisconsin and their lobbyists are knocking on doors in Madison. The only thing standing in their way is you, me, and thousands of WGO members across the state who refuse to compromise.

I can’t promise we’ll win. But I promise we won’t compromise — and we’ll fight like hell.

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After Newtown shooting beware calls for so-called reasonable legislation

In the days following the Newtown, Connecticut school shooting, the WGO phone never stopped ringing. Reporters. Television producers. Legislators. Concerned gun owners. Crazy.

Even as this issue of our newsletter goes to press — now over two months after the tragedy — the hysteria has barely died down while the legislative fallout is just getting going ... both in congress and the Wisconsin legislature.

From my vantage point, the gun community and conservatives in general are wholly ill-equipped to deal with or even understand what is unfolding all around them. The anti-gunners are very good at using tragedy to exploit their agenda. That’s no surprise to anyone. However, what gun owners don’t grasp is how the issue is literally being reframed right before our very eyes.

Suddenly, Wisconsin Congressman Paul Ryan is stumping for closing the so-called “gun show loophole.” Say what? Ryan and congressional republicans are now banding

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WAR! On Your Gun Rights...

Newtown, CT — Following the horrific and tragic Newtown shooting, the rabid anti-gunners have declared war on the Second Amendment rights of all gun owners.

And while the ban on semi-automatic firearms and so-called “high-capacity” magazines being proposed in congress is cause enough for worry, the most serious threat could come from moderate democrats, republicans and institutional gun lobby who are all getting on bandwagon to beef up and expand how mental health records sync up with the National Instant Check System (NICS)



WGO members mobilized to hold congress accountable to stop President Obama’s 23 anti-gun executive orders designed to gut the Second Amendment and circumvent congress.

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Mission

To restore and defend the right to keep and bear arms through on-target strategy, and to hold accountable all those who surrender that right through compromise.

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Obama took aim at gun owners while pretending to be a skeet shooter.

Calls For Gun Confiscation

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End of the Second Amendment?

According to the National Association for Gun Rights, if passed, Feinstein's so-called "Assault Weapons" Ban would:

*** Ban the sale, transfer, importation, and manufacturing of 120 specifically-named rifles, shotguns and handguns;

*** Ban the sale, transfer, importation and manufacturing of ALL firearms with a detachable magazine and at least one "military characteristic" -- which could mean just about anything that makes a gun "look scary."

*** Bans the sale, transfer, importation, and manufacturing of magazines holding more than 10 rounds;

*** Force owners of ALL "grand fathered" weapons to undergo an intrusive background check and unnecessary fingerprinting;

*** Force owners of ALL "grandfathered" weapons to federally register their guns after obtaining a permission slip from local law enforcement showing their guns are not in violation of state or local law.

These provisions would result in prosecution of gun owners owning a mag that holds more than 10 rounds, which would be required to be registered with the BATFE in their National Firearms Registry.

"You'll be fingerprinted," said

Corey Graff, Executive Director of Wisconsin Gun Owners, Inc. (WGO). "And photographed — treated just like a common criminal. Or worse."

The extreme proposal would also mean all guns under Feinstein's bill be registered as National Firearms Act (NFA) weapons.

Screams for Gun Confiscation

The hysteria — which has fueled statewide shortages of AR-15 style rifles, magazines and ammunition of all types throughout Wisconsin — has only been fueled by statements from the left confirming their intention to push for outright gun confiscations.

"Confiscation could be an option," declared New York Governor Andrew Cuomo recently in a radio interview on December 27, 2012.

"We cannot have big guns out here," said Iowa Rep. Dan Muhlbauer. "Even if you have them, I think we need to start taking them."

Mental Health Facade Veils Universal Gun Registration

On January 26, 2013, President Obama announced 23 executive orders for gun control, effectively obliterating congress and the Separation of Powers.

The plan is for the Great Leader to expand the draconian background check system with vast new powers reaching deep into so-called mental health records.

While keeping guns out of the hands of the mentally ill may sound innocent enough, the problem is that the definition of mental illness keeps shifting.

The phenomenon was covered in length in the article, "Why NRA is



Diane Feinstein (D-CA) was quick to exploit the Newtown tragedy by pushing an expanded, permanent semi-auto ban bill that will outlaw 157 specifically-named guns.

Nuts to Expand Background Checks" (available at wisconsin-gunowners.org) by WGO Director Corey Graff. This innocuous-sounding idea actually plants the seeds for a future gun ban, argued Graff, for anyone deemed "mentally adjudicated" — and all anti-gun administrators will have to do is use phony science to make that allegation against any gun owner being targeted.

Sadly, the institutional gun lobby is falling into the trap, and is fashioning the chains that bind us.

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Walker Wishy-Washy

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Mental health reform is a way for the anti-gun lobby to potentially alter the gun rights of entire classes of people in a way that leaves gun owners with few, if any, avenues of legal recourse.

If passed, so called "mental health reforms" could include things like:

*** A permanent ban on anyone who was declared to have PTSD after seeing combat - without the benefits of a trial;

*** Allowing a mere "psychiatric diagnosis" to be enough to seize your guns - again without any due process;

*** The confiscation of weapons

from older Wisconsinites who have trouble managing their checkbooks or medication, as the Federal Government has recently tried to do by adjusting the definition of the word "defective";

*** The banning of firearms in any house where a resident is on certain types of prescribed medications. If your child was ever diagnosed with ADHD, they could be at risk as an adult.

*** Mandated mental health screening of all children entering school.

*** Mandated mental health screening of all prospective gun owners.

This is even more dangerous when

you consider that some "mental health experts" believe that a full 25% of the US population is mentally defective and needs treatment!

Clearly this is a wide open door, one that the anti-gunners are trying to storm through as they look for ways to crack down on our gun rights.

Walker's record on gun rights — his refusal to answer questions on a simple gun rights survey, and fighting against constitutional concealed carry, to name but a couple — squares with his groveling at the feet of the hysteric public and anti-gun lobby. Beware his apparent openness to support expanded brady background checks and other so-called "reasonable" gun control issues.



Since the 1990 Gun-Free School Zones Act was passed:
COLUMBINE - 12 Murdered.
VIRGINIA TECH - 32 Murdered.
NEWTOWN - 26 Murdered.

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Since implementation of the Federal Flight-Deck Officer Program that armed pilots: **ZERO.**

Letters: Wisconsin GOP ... What Are You Thinking?

Editor's Note: The following is a letter sent to Richard Rust, the Dunn County, Wisconsin GOP Chair, after he informed Wisconsin Campaign for Liberty State Coordinator Todd Welch that his membership in the county Republican party had been denied.

Mr. Rust,

We are not impressed with the manner in which the Dunn County Republican Party is mistreating Todd Welch.

I've had the pleasure of working with Todd in the trenches and he's an ideal champion for the conservative cause and Wisconsin gun rights.

He's young, energetic, smart, politically-savvy and most important rock solid in his pro-gun views and defense of all things liberty.

And just like Ron Paul, he's a real gentleman — just the type of

rare talent conservatives need to encourage.

So why, sir, are you kicking him in the teeth?

Todd was instrumental in fighting alongside me and Wisconsin Gun Owners, Inc. (WGO) during the last session for Constitutional Carry. And he's an honorary WGO member, too.

Mr. Rust, why are you making up phony rules to kick Todd Welch out of the Republican party?

Is it retaliation for Todd's holding the party establishment's feet to the fire at the RNC?

Or his consistent demanding of pro-gun initiatives that keep angering the compromisers within the GOP?

Mr. Rust, your actions appear counter-productive and divisive.

Please explain.

Very Truly Yours,

Corey Graff
Executive Director

P.S. — Send me an application.

Cc: Members of Wisconsin Gun Owners, Inc. (WGO)

Editor's Note: Mr. Rust, nor anyone else from the Wisconsin Republican Leadership, had the decency to respond to this letter.

Walker Wishy-Washy: May Push Gun Control Expansion

Madison, Wis. — Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker said recently in an Associated Press story that, "There seems to be a real serious concern about mental health status ... to me that seems to be a larger issue."

In the January 15, 2013 article, *Gov. won't take side on gun control bills*, it was reported that Walker said "I'm not saying yes or no," when asked if he would support the [gun control] law changes put forward by Kessler and other Democrats.

That Walker won't strongly commit to opposing any new gun control law in Wisconsin comes as no surprise to seasoned gun activists.

While the media is screaming for ways that the legislature can "preemptively stop" the next mass shooting incident by adjusting the mental health laws, gun owners shudder at the thought that the government can decide in advance, who is likely to commit a crime.

Under President Bill Clinton's administration, due to an adjustment in the code regarding mental health, 83,000 vets had their names added to the banned list and never even heard about it until they went to buy their next firearm.



Why won't Gov. Scott Walker strongly oppose new gun control measures in Wisconsin?

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Paul Ryan Sells Out

Wisconsin Congressman Paul Ryan (R), who fancies himself a champion for Wisconsin sportsmen, has apparently become the anti-gun lobby's leading cheerleader.

In an interview with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Ryan said gun show loopholes are a

'very reasonable' issue and that it's 'obvious' it should be addressed. Rep. Paul Ryan (R-Wis.) said this week that he is open to closing the loophole that allows weapon purchases at gun shows without a background check..."

Meanwhile, as Wisconsin congressman Paul Ryan was busy working with anti-gun democrats like Chuck Schumer to close a "loophole" that gun owners back in Wisconsin regard better as the

Second Amendment, WGO was mobilizing gun owners across the state for in the largest-ever petition drive and pro-gun campaign ever amassed to oppose any gun control bill.

To monitor this anti-gun legislation and get WGO's action alerts, visit the online Bill Watch page at wisconsin-gunowners.org

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Gun Control, PLAN B

The most dangerous phase in the gun grabbers' scheme to outlaw gun ownership is here. And it's not what you may think.

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Be on guard against the gun grabbers' "Plan B" alternative — a triple threat designed to sound more "reasonable" to the public than a total gun ban.

But don't be fooled. There's nothing reasonable about this new scheme. It's every bit as destructive to our gun rights as everything else the gun banners put forth.

The "Plan B" alternative has three components: Fictitious "gun trafficking" legislation, so-called "mental health screenings" and "expanded background checks."

And all are equally dangerous and designed with one goal in mind: national gun registration.

"Gun Trafficking"

So-called "Gun trafficking" is the gun grabbers' latest scheme, and it's flying fast under the radar.

The ultimate goal is to hand Obama's ATF goons the power to terrorize gun owners via sting

operations, and get gun owners to start screaming for a national gun registry.

There's Senator Patrick Leahy's so-called Stop Illegal Trafficking in Firearms Act of 2013 (S. 443) and Kristin Gillibrand's Gun Trafficking Prevention Act (S. 179) in the Senate, and then there's the Scott Rigell/Carolyn Maloney Gun Trafficking Prevention Act (H.R. 452) in the House.

Unfortunately, S. 443 cleared the Judiciary Committee and could be on the Senate floor any day now.

More properly referred to as the Forced Gun Owner Registration Act, S. 443 imposes harsh sentences on gun owners — up to 15 years in prison — for buying a firearm to sell or give a "prohibited person."

Already, 150,000 of our nation's veterans are considered "prohibited" just because they acknowledged stress after returning from war.

So just buying a shotgun for a son returning home from Afghanistan — so you could spend some time in the woods together hunting like the old days — could be enough to land you in jail for 15 years.

And since Barack Obama just issued an Executive Order calling on Attorney General Eric Holder to "review categories of individuals prohibited from having a gun," the definition of "prohibited" could change any day, too.

While there is some language claiming to protect folks who sell to "prohibited persons," it will almost assuredly be abused by ATF agents anxious to nail gun owners to the

wall.

The only way for law-abiding Second Amendment supporters to ultimately prove their innocence would be if every firearms transfer is signed off by the Federal Government — paving the way for a national gun registry.

And you and I both know so-called "gun registration" is the first step toward total gun confiscation.

"Mental Health Screenings"

The gun grabbers love to twist words to advance gun control. And "mental health screening" is just a ruse for creating a National No Gun Database.

Of course, the gun grabbers are willing to use virtually any excuse they can conjure up to put as many Americans as possible on their "mental health" list.

Have you ever served in the military or experienced a traumatic family situation like a death in the family?

If you're prescribed anything at all — or even if you complain of stress to the wrong person — that could be enough for you to lose your Second Amendment rights.

38 states have some sort of mental health database, and they're already being used to strip law-abiding Americans of their Second Amendment rights.

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One former Surgeon General estimated that 46.4% of Americans will have mental health issues at some point in their lives.

That should give you some idea of just how many law-abiding Americans can be stripped of their gun rights with "mental health"



charges alone.

Do we really want to strip nearly half of all Americans of their gun rights? Of course not.

But you can bet President Obama does. That's why President Obama is planning to use provisions of his "Obamacare" bill to create the "mental health" database the gun grabbers' want.

Not only that, but a number of Barack Obama's 23 Executive Orders on "gun violence" have to do with developing ways to get the mental health records of every American into a national database — accessible by the ATF, FBI and other government agencies.

To the gun-grabbers, disarming half of America for life with a simple "mental health" database within a year or two's time sounds like a dream come true.

The bad news is, this dangerous scheme has bipartisan support.

Republican Senators Lindsey Graham and Jeff Flake are "eyeing" legislation that would force states to turn over mental health records to the federal government to be put into Barack Obama's National No Gun Database.

"Expanded Background Checks"

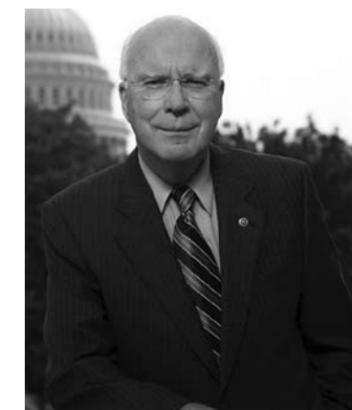
It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out the only way to enforce "background checks" is to hand the feds a record of every firearm transferred through a Federal Firearms Licensee.

Of course, the anti-gunners claim federal officials destroy every record in the system after a set time, but do you really trust Barack Obama or Eric Holder to do so?

For example, in Pennsylvania, state officials were caught violating the law by keeping permanent records of "background checks" including the name of the gun owner and the specific gun purchased.

To call "background checks" anything but gun registration is a lie. Everyone knows gun registration leads to gun confiscation.

Besides, "expanding background checks" has nothing to do with the recent tragedy in Newtown.



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A Justice Department survey found that 93% of handgun predators obtained their guns "off-the-record," commonly by stealing them as the Connecticut shooter did.

None of these schemes are about stopping actual criminals.

They're about taking away your rights.

This "Plan B" alternative is the gun grabbers' new Triple Threat to take away your God-given right to keep and bear arms. Don't fall for it.

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