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## Fw: VSSA Legislative Update January 14, 2020

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All;

FYI. Legislative update. Please continue to urge your contacts to contact their legislators to express their opinions.  
Thanks; Ernie P.

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## Legislative Update - Four Gun Control Bills Complete Constitutional Reading In Senate

Senate Bill 35 (allows localities to pass firearm related ordinances), Senate Bill 69 (handgun rationing), Senate bill 70 ("universal" background checks), and Senate Bill 240 ("red flag" bill) completed Constitutional reading in the Senate today which means they will be ready for final votes as early as

Thursday. **Please contact your state Senator and politely urge them to stand with you and OPPOSE these anti-gun bills. Even if your Senator is anti-rights, they need to hear from you!** You can contact you senator by clicking [here](#) which will take you to NRA-ILA's legislator contact page.

The Red Flag Bill (SB240) and SB70 are likely to have significant debate and additional amendments as Senator Chap Petersen (D-Fairfax) successfully pushed to dilute the background-check bill and Senator Joe Morrissey (D - Richmond) expressed concern with the lack of constitutional protections in the red flag bill. As originally proposed, SB 70 would have required criminal background checks on any gun sales or transfers with limited exceptions. Petersen persuaded the committee to exempt transfers from the requirement but all sales would require a background check, even between family members. Secretary of Public Safety Brian Moran and representatives of the gun ban lobby preferred the original version and openly opposed the substitute. VSSA stills opposes the bill, however, as Delegate Todd Gilbert said yesterday during a news conference, "Any concessions we can achieve are certainly an improvement."

VSSA continues to work our relationships with several senators that may be able to assist us in amending bills such as the red flag bill, "universal" background check bill, and defeating any bill that bans modern sporting rifles, standard capacity magazines, and suppressors.

It is critical for gun owners to remain active the entire session. **We will need as many gun owners as possible to attend meetings daily. Agendas for Senate Judiciary can be found at <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?201+com+S3>.** House bills have yet to be referred to committee.

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There is only one firearm related bill (SB51) on the Senate Judiciary docket tomorrow - it adds a prohibition to the section of the code related to concealed carry in restaurants that serve alcohol, for a person who carries a concealed handgun onto the premises of any public park or other public space when alcoholic beverages have been approved for sale or consumption, from consuming an alcoholic beverage while on the premises.

Please continue to contact your senators and delegate.



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