Rather than creating all sorts of firearms "crimes" by paperwork and redefining of terms, all under the guise of "safety" which allows supporters to claim no net loss of Second Amendment rights, the legislature should instead concentrate on guaranteeing punishment of those who actually commit real crimes involving firearms, i.e. shooting people, as opposed to placing a firearm in the wrong desk drawer or selling one to a nephew.

To mention one in particular, SB 897, while I'm no fan of those who took over a government facility to protest one thing or another, this legislation seems more like another ploy to associate such behavior with firearms by associating terrorism and militia by redefinition. Those people could have just as easily taken over the same facility without firearms and without calling themselves a militia of any kind. I'm more concerned with masked paramilitary college students and their associates who have been attacking the First Amendment (such as what was done at Berkeley a few months ago) which resulted in over a hundred thousand dollars in damage and without the use of firearms or even a "militia" label for themselves that I'm aware of.

Oh, as for allowing state police to deny a gun purchase for no particular reason, for as long as they want to, well, what ever happened to the belief that rights delayed are rights denied?

I recommend that you oppose the following Senate Bills:

All the Best,

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I support the RKBA, and I vote