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I oppose this bill as it is in direct conflict with the 2nd Amendment of the US Constitution. It is also excessively punitive. The production of firearms has a very interesting history with a great number of private citizens employing their creative talents to produce improved firearms. Browning, Sharps, Purdy, Remington, Winchester and many other modern developers have served US Military and Law Enforcement personnel in the need to preserve order, freedom and peace through the history of our country. While it is unfortunate that firearms are sometimes necessary for the preservation and survival of people, it must be acknowledged that firearms are necessary and their development is an ongoing need and the private sector is an important part of that. One dimension of the Second Amendment is to allow people to defend themselves and their property from violent criminals and to defend themselves against an armed and oppressive government. World history clearly demonstrates the need to uphold the 2nd Amendment and preserve it from any encroachment or opposition.