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1. The people that this measure will impact the most are those who needs access to firearms the most. Not everyone can afford to buy their meat from the grocery store. Not everyone can afford to wait for the police to arrive. Not everyone can trust the police. These things are privileges. Making firearms prohibitively difficult to obtain for the already underprivileged just makes life even harder for the people the Democratic Party is supposed to champion.
2. It's absurd that at 16 you can drive a ton of steel down 217 at rush hour and at 18 you can smoke yourself to death or die for your country in the Middle East, but you're not considered responsible enough or valuable enough to defend yourself with a firearm until you're 21. Anyone with any amount of common sense can see that is not only dumb; it's deeply wrong.
3. They know we don't have the resources to implement these restrictions or deal with the massive influx of criminalizations that this bill would create. They know it's just going to get tied up in courts again. Why should we indulge bad faith legislation explicitly designed to waste everyone's time and money? Send them back to the drawing board until they're willing to be reasonable.