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The level of gun crime and mass shootings we see in America is appalling. This is the only country where this happens. Americans have too many guns, and too easy of access to guns, plain and simple. It is estimated there are 120.5 firearms per 100 US residents, up from 88 per 100 in 2011. The gun lobby has tirelessly spent millions and millions to influence the opinions of Americans, to buy political votes from state and federal legislators, and to push their agenda onto the courts interpretation of the second amendment. This has created a toxic gun culture in America, said best by Conservative Chief Justice William Berger in a 1991 interview with PBS "The gun lobby's interpretation of the Second Amendment is one of the greatest pieces of fraud, I repeat the word fraud, on the American People by special interest groups that I have seen in my lifetime", it has warped public opinion for money, the continual death of our fellow Americans, children, for money. It's absurd that this is controversial in any way. It is embarrassing. We should be ashamed of our inaction as a nation. The leading cause of death for children in America is guns. This is solvable, it requires placing the lives of children above money. Easy choice. Do better.