

# Vermont Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, Inc.

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## **ATTENTION: VERMONT SPORTSMEN & SPORTSWOMEN**

**Let's Tell Our Legislators: NO NEW GUN CONTROL LAWS**

Where: **Vermont State House, Montpelier**

When: **Tuesday, January 27th, 2:00PM to 7:30PM**

What: **Vermont Sportspersons Filling the State House**

Vermont's Gun Control lobby is telling our legislators that the population of Vermont has changed; that your rights and values are no longer relevant. They say that you are not willing to be bothered to protect your rights, and that you will not oppose their laundry-list of New York City-type of gun control. They say 2015 is the year for Vermont to enact big city gun control restrictions and you will passively not object.

Even though Vermont has an existing law which states that no municipality can attempt to regulate the "possession, ownership, transportation, transfer, sale, purchase, carrying, licensing or registration of traps, firearms, ammunition or components of firearms or ammunition" ([V.S.A. Title 24 §2295](#) - better known as the "Sportsmen's Bill of Rights"), last year the politicians of Burlington acted in utter contempt of this law by moving forward to the State Legislature several anti-firearm resolutions to change their Charter. If these Charter changes are passed this will gravely impact **ALL** Vermont Sportspersons because towns and cities across the state would then be empowered to enact their own shooting, hunting and trapping bans, ending up with state-wide patchwork of conflicting ordinances.

Beyond that: There is now an anti-firearm group in Vermont spending a lot of money for the most expensive lobbyists in the state. This group claims to be a "grass-roots" Vermont organization, but does not show the exact source(s) of their funding.

We believe the following facts speak for themselves:

- At least 2 of the anti-firearm ordinances proposed for Burlington have been ruled by courts as unconstitutional in other states, the third is virtually unenforceable, and all are against existing state law
- Vermont is the safest state in the nation due to Vermont having the [lowest violent crime rate per capita](#)
- Vermont is ranked [forty-fifth of the 50 states in guns trace backs performed by the BATFE](#)
- Vermont [IS NOT a major source of firearms to ANY other state](#)
- Criminals do not obey laws, criminals will always be able to get firearms, and senseless restrictions on honest citizens will most assuredly be appreciated by violent thugs and criminals

**NO ONE CAN DO THIS FOR YOU - THIS ISSUE EFFECTS US ALL**

**Wear Orange, Be Polite & Respectful, but let us FILL OUR STATE HOUSE!**

**Mark Your Calendars, Further Details Will Be Forthcoming**

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