

PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Resolution #45

Introduced by Legislator: Richard T. Othmer, Jr. at a Regular Meeting held on February 6, 2013.

Seconded by Legislators: Sam Oliverio, Jr. and Dini LoBue.

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RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE NEW YORK SECURE AMMUNITION AND FIREARMS ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2013

WHEREAS, the right to bear arms is guaranteed by the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, as well as the Civil Rights Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act of 2013 which was rushed to passage by the New York State Senate, Assembly and Governor, will have a detrimental effect on hunters, sportsmen and legal gun owners.

WHEREAS this legislation imposes burdensome new regulations upon law abiding gun owners and will curtail the rights of law abiding citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS this legislation, while denying the rights of law abiding citizens, fails to address the problem of acts of violence perpetrated by criminals and those who are dangerously mentally ill; and

WHEREAS, this legislation creates an environment in the state which is hostile to gun manufacture and ownership; and

WHEREAS, this legislation contemplates the creation of a new unfunded mandate requiring the Counties to absorb the cost of the initial and periodic recertification procedure; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Legislature does hereby oppose the enactment of the New York State Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act of 2013 because it fundamentally alters or abridges the right to keep and bear arms without addressing the problems of gun violence; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby calls upon the New York State Legislature and Governor to set aside and annul this ill-conceived and poorly drafted statute which abridges the rights of law abiding citizens of the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in the meantime the Putnam County Legislature calls upon the New York State Legislature and Governor to remove any and all possible unfunded mandates created or that may be created by this legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the State of New York, Senator Greg Ball, Senator Terri Gipson, Assemblyman Stephen Katz, Assemblywoman Sandra Galef and the New York State Association of Counties and New York State Association of County Clerks.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Vote:
State Of New York
ss:

County of Putnam



I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution passed by the Putnam County Legislature while in session on February 6, 2013.

Dated: February 11, 2013

Signed: Diane Schonfeld

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk Of The Legislature Of Putnam County