

SENATOR FOR A DAY MOCK LEGISLATION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

NO. 5
Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY _____ March 9, 2023

REFERRED TO SENATE LAW AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Protecting the 2nd Amendment

AN ACT

Protecting the rights of citizens to bear arms.

The General Assembly finds and declares that:

- (1) The Pennsylvania Constitution both protects the right to bear arms and predates the 2nd Amendment of the United States Constitution.
- (2) Judicial precedent has established states may offer more protections than the US Constitution but not less.
- (3) Article I, Section 21 of Article I of the Pennsylvania Constitution is clear and unambiguous: "The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the State shall not be questioned."

Accordingly, neither the Commonwealth nor any county or local government shall allow public tax moneys to be used to enforce a Federal law, executive order or regulation that attempts to register, restrict or ban the ownership or purchase, whether by number or type, of a firearm, component of a firearm or ammunition.

This act shall take effect immediately.