

U.S. SENATOR BOB CASEY



FIGHTING *for a* **FAIR SHOT** *for* **FAMILIES, KIDS and SENIORS**

Working to Reduce Gun Violence

With an average of 520 gun homicides every year in Pennsylvania, Senator Casey is committed to making our communities safer. Every American should feel free to study or work or worship where they please without feeling the threat of gun violence. We can and we must act now to pass commonsense gun safety reforms.

- Senator Casey sponsored the **Hate Crimes Prevention Act**. This bill would prohibit access to firearms by those convicted of violent misdemeanor hate crimes. It is common sense that anyone who has proven they will commit violent crimes based on bias should not have access to guns.
- Senator Casey cosponsored the **Denying Firearms and Explosives to Dangerous Terrorists Act**. This bill would prohibit access to firearms by those on the Terrorist Watchlist. Anyone who is deemed too dangerous to fly in an airplane is also too dangerous to own firearms.
- Senator Casey cosponsored the **Protecting Domestic Violence and Stalking Victims Act of 2015**. Current law prohibits those with criminal records for domestic violence against “intimate partners” from obtaining firearms. This legislation would expand the definition of “intimate partner” to include unmarried dating partners who do not live together or share a child. It also adds those with misdemeanor stalking convictions to the list of those prohibited from obtaining firearms.
- Senator Casey cosponsored the **Background Check Completion Act**. This bill closes the so-called “Charleston loophole” by requiring background checks to be completed regardless of how long they take. Under current law, if a check takes longer than three business days the sale may go through. This loophole allowed Dylan Roof, who killed nine African-Americans at an AME church in Charleston, South Carolina, to acquire his firearm.
- In the 113th Congress, Senator Casey cosponsored the **Large Capacity Ammunition Feeding Device Act of 2013**. This bill would have banned large-capacity ammunition feeding devices, which allow a shooter to fire a large number of rounds in a short amount of time and inflict maximum damage.
- Senator Casey has **voted multiple times** in support of expanding background checks, implementing restrictions on military-style assault weapons and large-capacity magazines, cracking down on firearm trafficking and straw purchases and closing the loophole that allows suspected terrorist to acquire firearms. He has **vocally advocated for additional votes** on these measures.
- Senator Casey signed an appropriations letter supporting funding for the **National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS)**. This supports funding for improvements in the firearm background check system.