

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 **Disarm Hate Act**, which would prohibit access to firearms by those convicted of violent misdemeanor hate crimes. Anyone who has proven they will commit violent crimes based on bias should not have access to guns.
- Senator Casey cosponsored the **Protecting Domestic Violence and Stalking Victims Act**. 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 supports expanding background checks. He cosponsored the **Background Check Expansion Act** to ensure that individuals purchasing firearms through private sellers, online or at gun shows are required to go through the same background check as individuals purchasing guns from federally licensed dealers. He also cosponsored the **Background Check Completion Act**, which 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 people at Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina, to acquire his firearm.
- Senator Casey cosponsored **legislation to authorize the Centers for Disease Control** to research gun violence and gun safety measures.
- Senator Casey cosponsored the **Assault Weapons Ban**, which would reinstate and update the assault weapons ban that was in place from 1994 to 2004. The bill bans the sale, manufacture, transfer and importation of 205 military-style assault weapons; bans assault weapons with detachable ammunition magazines or military characteristics; and bans magazines that hold more than 10 rounds of ammunition.
- Senator Casey cosponsored the **SECURE Firearm Storage Act**, which would help prevent gun thefts and the use of unlicensed firearms in the commission of violent crimes by requiring federally licensed firearms dealers to take common-sense steps to secure and track their inventory.
- 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 on an airplane is also too dangerous to own firearms.