



## Gun Safety Report Card - November 6, 2018

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**2/ Federal Concealed Carry Reciprocity (CCR) should not be enacted.**

At the federal level, CCR overrides the sovereignty of a state to determine how to regulate the requirements needed to be able to carry a concealed weapon, allowing even those who do not need a permit in their own state to carry their concealed weapons in states with stringent permit requirements. This presents a clear threat to public safety and to law enforcement and should not be enacted.

**3/ Gun trafficking and straw purchases should be federal crimes.**

A national standard needs to be applied to the definition, prosecution and enforcement of gun trafficking and straw purchases whereby criminals and prohibited possessors gain access to firearms. The agencies responsible for upholding this law must have the funding and authority needed.

**4/ Research on gun violence should be restored and funded.**

Firearm deaths and injuries are a public health crisis. The Center for Disease Control should be empowered and fully funded to conduct research into the causes of gun violence that can lead to effective public policies to deal with this crisis.

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**2/ Child Access Prevention (CAP) laws should be enacted.**

CAP laws are needed to hold adults legally responsible for deaths or injuries caused if a minor gains access to their weapon.

**3/ The decision to Arm Teachers should be made by school administrators.**

Under current AZ law, one of the powers and duties of school administrators is the authority to grant or withhold permission for teachers to carry arms at school. School administrators should retain this authority.

**4/ An Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) should be enacted.**

ERPO allows for the temporary removal of firearms from an individual who is determined by a court to pose an imminent threat to self or others. This measure, which has been shown to reduce firearm suicides and defuse potential mass killings, should be enacted in AZ.

**5/ Removal of guns should be enabled in cases of domestic violence.**

A clear and enforceable process is needed to allow law enforcement to remove firearms from scenes of domestic violence and in situations involving orders of protection.

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