
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY TALLMAN, BROOKS, CLYMER, CUTLER, DENLINGER,
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JANUARY 30, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 30, 2013

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging Pennsylvania United States Senators Robert P. Casey, Jr.,
2 and Patrick Toomey to vote against a treaty being drafted by
3 the United Nations if the treaty would impair rights of
4 citizens under the Second Amendment to the Constitution of
5 the United States.

6 WHEREAS, News reports indicate that the United Nations is
7 continuing to work on the Arms Trade Treaty; and

8 WHEREAS, News reports indicate that the scope of the treaty
9 may involve civilian firearms and ammunition; and

10 WHEREAS, The right to keep and bear arms is a right
11 guaranteed to citizens by both section 21 of Article I of the
12 Constitution of Pennsylvania and the Second Amendment to the
13 Constitution of the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article II of the Constitution of the
15 United States provides that the President of the United States
16 cannot enter into treaties with foreign powers without the
17 advice and consent of the Senate of the United States; therefore
18 be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
2 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge Pennsylvania United States
3 Senators Robert P. Casey, Jr., and Patrick Toomey to vote
4 against the Arms Trade Treaty if the treaty includes provisions
5 restricting the rights of gun owners in contravention of section
6 21 of Article I of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and the
7 Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and
8 be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
10 United States Senators Robert P. Casey, Jr., and Patrick Toomey.