

*A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed. --Amendment II, US Constitution*



*The right of no person to keep and bear arms in defense of his home, person and property, or in aid of the civil power when thereto legally summoned, shall be called to question; . . . --Article II, § 13, Colorado Constitution*

*The Voice for Firearm Rights in the Pikes Peak Region*

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## Gun Control Legislation

As you have likely seen in the media, there are several gun bills in the Colorado Legislature, almost all are BAD. You can get the status and read the bills on the PPFC website. As this goes to press, here are the ones that have been introduced and are still alive:

- HB 13-1043: Concerning the Statutory Definition of a Deadly Weapon: **Signed by Governor**
- HB 13-1085: Concerning Changes to the Crimes Eligible for Possession of Weapons by Previous Offenders: **Still in Committee**
- HB 13-1224: Concerning prohibiting large-capacity ammunition magazines: **Signed by Governor**
- HB 13-1228: Concerning Requiring the Colorado Bureau of Investigation to Recoup the Cost of Performing an Instant Criminal Background Check Prior to the Transfer of a Firearm: **Signed by Governor**
- HB 13-1229: Concerning Criminal Background Checks Performed Pursuant to the Transfer of a Firearm: **Signed by Governor**
- SB 13-140: Concerning the Inapplicability of Certain Federal Firearms Laws Within Colorado: **Still in Committee**
- SB 13-197: Concerning preventing persons who have committed domestic violence from possessing firearms: **In House Committee**

## So, what now?

The Democrat legislature has passed and the Democrat governor has signed freedom killing bills that will cost Colorado jobs and Colorado lost revenue when hunters refuse to come to Colorado to hunt. So, what happens now. Well, as I said on Friday, March 29, when my Kansas Jayhawks blew the Sweet Sixteen game in the final seconds, "There's always next year!"

Our gun rights, however, are much more than a "game"! There's good news, bad news, and required action:

**The Good News:** These freedom robbing laws were enacted as changes to the Colorado Revised Statutes. They are not changes to the Colorado Constitution, nor were they the result of a citizen petition. Therefore, what the legislature has taken away, the legislature can restore.

**The Bad News:** These freedom robbing laws will go into effect on July 1, 2013.

**Required Action:** To repeal these bad, freedom robbing, won't stop bad people from doing bad things laws, we will need a freedom loving State Legislature and Governor. As we say, "There is always next year". In November 2014, we will elect a governor, all the state representatives, and about one-third of the state

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **April 11, 2013, 5:30PM: PPFC board of Directors Meeting, VFW Post 4051**
- **April 11, 2013, 7:00PM: PPFC General Membership Meeting**
- **May 4-5, 2013: Prospector Sertoma Gun Show, Colorado Springs Event Center, Palmer Park & Academy**

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**Next PPFC Meeting  
Thursday, April 11, 2013  
VFW Post 4051  
430 E Pikes Peak Ave  
Colorado Springs CO  
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.**

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senators. The PPFC can be a factor in the 2014 elections. We need to start building our "war chest" right now. Here's what you can do:

- (1) Contribute \$50 to the PPFC Small Donor Committee. \$50 is the maximum contribution allowed, per person, per calendar year. You can contribute \$50 in 2013 and \$50 in 2014. Just give \$10 per PPFC meeting for April through August and you are done for 2013. If you want to give more, you can donate up to \$400 to the PPFC Political Action Committee.
- (2) Get active in the Republican Party. Check to see if there are vacant precinct committee leaders in your precinct and, if so, volunteer to serve.
- (3) Attend the 2014 Republican caucus and become a delegate. Attend the assemblies and support pro-gun candidates. Work on pro-gun candidate committees. VOTE in the 2014 primary and general elections.
- (4) Help find and support pro-gun candidates to run against Democrat legislators who helped take away our freedoms.

We can do this, but we must be involved and give time and money! You can donate by cash, check, or credit card at the PPFC meetings.

## **April Meeting**

Representatives from the Pikes Peak Gun Club (not associated with the Pikes Peak Firearms Coalition) will speak to us about their club and its programs.

## **Membership News**

- (1) Please check the expiration date above your name. If it not 2013 or later, it's time to renew your PPFC membership for 2013. To save the cost of printing and mailing renewal notices, please consider renewing on-line through PayPal. There is a link on the PPFC home page for on-line renewal. You can also print out a renewal form and mail it in if you prefer. You can also just mail a check to the above address. Dues are only \$20 for an individual membership or \$30 for a family membership. You can also now pay with a credit card at our meetings using PayPal Here.
- (2) Membership Cards will be available at the PPFC meeting. To save costs, we do not mail membership cards. If you would like your card mailed to you, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to PPFC Membership Card at the above address.

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