

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

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Meet the New Colorado Springs Police Chief

Colorado Springs Police Chief Richard Myers will be the speaker at the May 10th PPFC meeting. Chief Myers will be speaking on the formation of the "Community Impact Team (COMMIT)." The purpose of the COMMIT is to proactively attack the causes of crime: Guns, Drugs, and Gangs. As an organization concerned with gun rights, we need to hear Chief Myers' goals when it comes to guns.



Chief Richard W. Myers holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Michigan State University. He is a graduate of the 156th Session of the FBI National Academy, and the 26th Session of the FBI LEEDS.

Beginning in 1977, he served several Michigan communities as a patrol officer, a public safety officer, sheriff's deputy, and an investigator at a Medical Examiner's Office. He was first appointed as a police chief in 1984 and has led Departments in Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. He was appointed Chief of Police of the Colorado Springs Police Department in January 2007.

Chief Myers is a Past President of the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association, and the Society of Police Futurists International. He is an active member in several national and regional law enforcement organizations, and currently is on the Board of Directors for the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF). He has been a presenter to the IACP, World Future Society, and the FBI Academy along with local and regional training venues.

NRA Statement on Federal Legislation in Response to Virginia Tech Shootings

Recent reports in the Washington Post, Newsweek and other media outlets are fanning Internet rumors regarding the NRA's position concerning legislation currently being discussed in Congress in the aftermath of the horrific crimes that occurred at Virginia Tech.

The NRA has a long history of supporting measures to keep guns out of the hands of violent criminals and those who have been adjudicated by a court as mentally incompetent, and we will continue to do so. We will also continue our efforts to make sure that the National Instant Background Check System (NICS) is accurate, fair, and instant by seeking changes to permanently ensure that no

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 5-6: Prospectors Sertoma Gun Show at Phil Long Events Center**
- **May 10: PPFC Meeting**
- **May 17: PPFC Board Meeting**

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Next PPFC Meeting
Thursday, May 10, 2007
VFW Post 4052
430 E Pikes Peak Ave
Colorado Springs CO
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

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fee is associated with the check, that system outages are minimized, and that our men and women in uniform who have served our country honorably are not unjustly denied their constitutional rights. As always, the NRA is committed to ensuring that any proposal does not infringe upon the rights of law-abiding gun owners.

It is impossible to predict right now what any final bill will look like; therefore, we will withhold judgment until we see a final product. However, the NRA will continue to work with Members of Congress throughout the process to ensure that any changes to the NICS benefit lawful gun purchasers while ensuring that those adjudicated by the courts as mentally incompetent are included in the system.

Including necessary records on prohibited persons into the NICS is a position we have long supported. However, history has shown that no law will stop a madman intent on doing evil.

The NRA believes that our schools are not adequately protected. Therefore, we believe a national conversation on school security is necessary, and we look forward to those discussions and finding meaningful solutions to keep America's children safe.

PPFC members send their thoughts and prayers to the families, friends, and fellow students of the victims. We in no way condone the actions of this madman. Nor do we believe that any additional gun control laws would have prevented this crime.

Colorado Legislature Update

The status (as of March 30, 2007) of bills of interest to gun owners that have been introduced in the Colorado General Assembly are:

Bad bills (still alive):

- (1) Senate Bill 07-034 which would prohibit concealed carry in Colorado with a permit issued by another state to a non-resident of that state. Status: Passed out of the Senate. Was amended by Republicans to make it a good bill, but amendments were removed by Senate. Passed out of the House Judiciary Committee to the full House where it was passed on Second and Third Readings. Contact Governor to request he veto this bad bill.
- (2) House Bill 07-1174 would allow sheriffs to add concealed carry permit holders to the statewide CCIC database. The CCIC database is used to store information on criminals. Status: Passed by both Senate and House. Contact Governor to request he veto this bad bill.

All the **good** bills have been **killed**. There are still two **bad** bills alive. We need to contact the governor and ask him to veto them. You can get the latest status of a bill and read the text of a bill on the PPFC website.