



# Action Alert: Pass the Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act

## Take action and tell your representative to pass H.R. 1181

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3/17/2017 UPDATE: Because of overwhelming support by advocates like yourself and bipartisan support from members of the House of Representatives, this bill was passed. It now heads to the Senate for consideration. We thank you for your support and encourage you to follow the [VFW Action Corps](#) for more information.

The VFW needs you to immediately contact your elected representatives to urge their support of H.R. 1181, a bill which will help protect veterans' 2nd Amendment rights.

Here's why:

Veterans who are found to need the assistance of a fiduciary to handle their finances have their names added to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, preventing them from legally possessing and purchasing firearms. The VFW has long opposed this practice because veterans should not lose the Constitutional rights they have fought to protect and defend without proper due process. The VFW is also concerned that this practice stigmatizes mental health care by forcing veterans to choose between the mental health care they need to cope with injuries they sustained during military service and their ability keep and bear arms.

Today the House of Representatives will vote on H.R. 1181, the Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act. This important bill would ensure veterans do not lose their right to purchase firearms without an order or finding of a judge, magistrate, or other judicial authority of competent jurisdiction.

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The VFW adamantly believes that veterans must have the ability to receive the care they have earned and deserve without fear of losing their Constitutional rights.

Contact your state representatives and tell them to pass H.R.1181, the Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act.

Take action, and [contact your representative](#) now!