

dealers. And I can't emphasize that more. That means that the only people affected by this bill, as with all gun control laws, will be law abiding citizens. And we're tramping on their rights as far as I'm concerned. It's a bad idea to expand the police power of the federal government, which is exactly what the Brady bill does. It gives politicians and bureaucrats in Washington power to manipulate state and local laws, which violates the American principle of allowing the states to have as much say over their own affairs as possible. And, second, it stands in utter contempt of the Second Amendment, which doesn't prohibit states from passing gun control laws, but does prohibit the federal government from doing so. Gun control laws don't work, they punish the law abiding, they destroy a fundamental liberty that goes to the heart of what it means to be an American. If you think a seven-day waiting period is a good idea, tell your Congressman that you will support the Brady bill only if it has the following provisions, no other legislation can be enacted pertaining to ownership and use of firearms; and then just the questions that I asked Senator Ashford, and he said he would not do it anymore. But I think those things should be presented to our people in Washington. I will not...I'm opposed to both bills. I think they are wrong. I don't think in the long run that you will...

SENATOR CONWAY: One minute.

SENATOR PETERSON: ...have any...you will see any improvement in what's happening today. Thank you.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Peterson. The next speaker will be Senator Chizek.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Question.

SENATOR CONWAY: And before we...He has called the question. Do I see five hands? Seeing five hands, the question to the body is, shall debate cease? While the body is voting, we can announce that in the north balcony Senator Lamb has 38 sixth graders from Thedford-Mullen with their teachers. Would they please stand and be recognized by the Legislature. And also in the north balcony is guests of Senator Moore. We have 27 fifth graders and four sponsors and teachers from Stromsburg Public School, in the north balcony. Would they please stand and be recognized. Thank you all for visiting your Legislature. We are voting on ceasing debate. Has everyone voted? Mr. Clerk.