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IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

AB1960 (Briggs) Would allow for a one-time Department of Justice listing and fee payment for handguns that are required to be tested under SB15. This would replace the current system whereby manufactures are required to pay an annual fee to keep their products on the "approved" list.

AB1960 passed out of the Assembly with a bipartisan vote of 62-0.

SB682 & **AB496** These bills seek to repeal part of the Civil Code 1714 that deals with product liability. These bills were redrafted and gutted/amended from bills that were initially introduced to do other things. These bills were changed after the anti-gun advocates lost their "101 California Street lawsuit" against the firearms industry in the California State Supreme Court.

The repeal of current law would only open the door of litigation to the manufacturers of lawful and legal consumer products. Manufacturers of lawful products should not be held responsible for the actions of criminals or any person who uses the product in a negligent manner.

It is important that everyone call the legislature ASAP. These bills could be voted on at any time. **SB682** is in the State Assembly. **AB496** is in the State Senate.

ACTION REQUESTED: Please contact the following Assembly Members and **THANK THEM** for voting for **YES** on AB1960 and ask them to **OPPOSE** SB682.

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ACTION REQUESTED: Please contact all of the State Senators and urge them to **OPPOSE AB496**. Information for the State Senate can be found at: <http://www.nramemberscouncils.com/legs/sen.shtml> .

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- *** A complete listing of the legislators' phone/fax/email information.

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