

## *Veterans Second Amendment Protection Act*

- **National Shooting Sports Foundation**
  - “This legislation will ensure that veterans are not improperly added as a prohibited person on the FBI’s National Instant Criminal Background Check System simply because they need assistance with financial matters. Needing a fiduciary alone does not disqualify a veteran from legally purchasing a firearm at retail,” **said Lawrence G. Keane, National Shooting Sports Foundation Senior Vice President and General Counsel.** “We owe our freedoms to veterans who fought to preserve all our rights. Congress should ensure that veterans’ Second Amendment rights are protected when it comes to the Department of Veterans Affairs. NSSF is grateful for Senators John Kennedy’s and Jerry Moran’s leadership and advocacy on behalf of veterans.”
  
- **National Association of County Veterans Service Officers**
  - “NACVSO believes the current incompetency determination process is flawed, we appreciate the fact that VA’s intent has always been focused on keeping the veteran and their families safe from both financial and physical harm,” **said Andrew Tangen, National Association of County Veterans Service Officers Vice President.** “NACVSO believes that VA has a significant role in the process, but reform is needed to ensure that a veteran’s constitutionally protected rights are not subverted. We appreciate Chairman Moran and Bost’s efforts to address this issue with *Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act*. NACVSO looks forward to working with the Chairman on a process that safeguards the veteran and their constitutionally protected rights.”
  
- **Gun Owners of America**
  - “Gun Owners of America was proud to work with Senator Kennedy and Rep. Bost to force President Biden to stop disarming veterans with an appropriations amendment,” **said Aidan Johnston, Gun Owners of**

**America Director of Federal Affairs.** "Now, President Trump and Congress must work together to restore the lost gun rights of the more than a quarter of a million veterans and to permanently prevent any rogue bureaucrats from disarming more veterans with its unconstitutional 'fiduciary rule' process. GOA fully endorses Chairman Moran's and Senator Kennedy's S. 275, the *Veterans' 2nd Amendment Protection Act*, and urges its immediate passage."

- **Association of Mature American Citizens**

- "AMAC Action strongly supports the Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act which ensures that the brave men and women who have served our nation are afforded the same Constitutional rights and due process as every other American," **said Dave Weber, Association of Mature American Citizens Chief Operating Officer.** "It is unjust to assume that veterans requiring financial assistance are inherently dangerous or to strip them of their Second Amendment rights without a court ruling. This legislation is vital not only to protecting their rights but also to removing barriers that discourage veterans from seeking the care and support they deserve. Our veterans have fought for our freedoms, and we must fight to preserve theirs."

- **Vietnam Veterans of America**

- "The current practice that strips a veteran of their constitutional rights through a policy that the veterans administration has used for nearly 30 years is preposterous," **said Jack McManus, Vietnam Veterans of America President.** "The unfair practice places veterans on a list with the word CRIMINAL in it that improperly labels them as a criminal, and they do so without any real proof that the veterans are dangerous, and they do so without due process or judicial review. Outrageous, this act should be labeled as CRIMINAL, and a comprehensive investigation should follow the passing of this legislation that will determine just how many of those veterans on this list now truly should not be. Additionally, we believe that a full investigation is in order to determine to what extent these events have ultimately harmed veterans or prevented them from seeking help due to the fear of losing their 2nd Amendment Rights followed by some accountability' treat veterans with same due process as you would any citizen and stop labeling us and stigmatizing us as unstable criminals as the name of this list implies."

- **Black Veterans Empowerment Council**

- "I am deeply concerned that this issue is occurring without proper judicial or medical review," **said Shawn L. Deadwiler, Black Veterans Empowerment Council Chairman**. "No veteran should be denied the constitutional rights they fought to protect. The Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act of 2025 is a crucial step toward restoring fairness, dignity, and justice for our veterans."
- **National Association for Gun Rights**
  - "The National Association for Gun Rights fully supports the Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act because no bureaucrat should have the power to strip a veteran of their gun rights without proper due process," **said Hunter King, National Association for Gun Rights Director of Political Affairs**. "The VA has no business sending names to the NICS list without a court ruling, and this bill stops that blatant infringement. Our veterans fought for our freedoms—it's disgraceful that they must fight their own government to keep theirs. We commend Senators Kennedy and Moran, along with Chairman Bost, for taking action to end this unconstitutional abuse."
- **National Disability Rights Network**
  - "This crucial bill takes a significant step toward ensuring that veterans are not unjustly stigmatized or stripped of their rights without due process," **said Marlene Sallo, National Disability Rights Network Executive Director**. "We firmly believe that individuals with disabilities, including those who have a fiduciary, should not be subject to blanket assumptions or the loss of their fundamental rights without proper evidence and protections. This legislation stands as a powerful reminder that due process and individual rights should never be sacrificed in the name of unfounded stereotypes."