

Hall of the House of Representatives

87th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2009

Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Resolution No. 1032

"A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE FEDERAL BAN ON CERTAIN TYPES OF
WEAPONS."

Amendment No. 1 to House Resolution No. 1032.

Amend House Resolution No. 1032 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Baird, Cooper, Martin, and Stewart as co-sponsors of the resolution

AND

Page 1, delete lines 9 and 10 and substitute "TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DECLINE TO ENCOURAGE RENEWAL OF THE 1994 FEDERAL BAN ON "ASSAULT WEAPONS", AS THE BAN DID NOT DEMONSTRATE STATISTICAL EVIDENCE OF CRIME REDUCTION."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 13 and 14 and substitute "TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DECLINE TO ENCOURAGE RENEWAL OF THE 1994 FEDERAL BAN ON "ASSAULT WEAPONS", AS THE BAN DID NOT DEMONSTRATE STATISTICAL EVIDENCE OF CRIME REDUCTION."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 17 and 22 and substitute:

"WHEREAS, Attorney General Eric Holder recently remarked that the Obama administration will push for the reinstatement of the 1994 ban on "assault weapons" and ammunition magazines; and

WHEREAS, Change.gov, the Obama administration transition website, says that an Obama administration would "support making the expired federal Assault Weapons Ban permanent"; and

WHEREAS, the national crime rate was falling before the "assault weapons" ban, fell during the period of the "assault weapons" ban, and continued to fall after the "assault weapons" ban had expired, demonstrating that the "assault weapons" ban has little effect on the rate of crime; and



WHEREAS, an Urban Institute study found that "the banned weapons and magazines were never used in more than a modest fraction of all gun murders"; and

WHEREAS, many citizens of the State of Arkansas are lawful owners of these types of firearms and ammunition magazines and use them to hunt, shoot in competition, and defend their families,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

That the House of Representatives oppose any effort to reinstate the 1994 ban on "assault weapons", and urge President Obama and Congress to oppose any additional restriction on our Second Amendment rights.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the chief clerk of the House of Representatives distribute a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, both the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate for each state's legislature of the United States of America, and each member of the Arkansas Congressional Delegation."

The Amendment was read _____
By: Representative Woods
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Chief Clerk