

Resolution No. 149-21

Resolution Urging The New York State Governor To Not Sign New York Senate Bill S7196 & Assembly Bill A6762 Into Law

WHEREAS, Rem Arms LLC (formerly known as Remington Arms), is a major employer in Upstate New York, a significant manufacturing success story in recent years; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S7196 and Assembly Bill A6762 seeks to impose liability on firearms manufacturers who lawfully design, manufacture, market, distribute, import, and sell firearms in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws; and

WHEREAS, Rem Arms LLC is a major contributor to the viability and stability of our economy, as they supply several businesses throughout Greene County; and

WHEREAS, hunting and hunting related events are a major recreational activity for Greene County residents and their families, as well as an important sporting attraction for hunters living outside of Greene County, many returning season after season and year after year; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled the Second Amendment protects the right of individuals to keep and bear arms and that the Second Amendment applies to the States; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S7196 and Assembly Bill A6762 would potentially infringe on the right of New York citizens to keep and bear common firearms for lawful purposes by inhibiting the sale of firearms in New York State or to New York citizens in other states; and

WHEREAS, the end result would be the diminishment of New Yorkers' ability to exercise their fundamental Second Amendment right; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S7196 and Assembly Bill A6762 seeks to impose liability on lawabiding firearms businesses for the criminal misuse of firearms which is contrary to the will of Congress which enacted the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act (PLCAA); and

WHEREAS, this may set a negative precedent of liability on other lawful businesses (ie.: car companies, sales of beer, sales of marijuana, etc.);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greene County Legislature, on behalf of Rem Arms LLC, our local businesses, and the residents of Greene County, as well as New York State, we hereby urge the Governor of the State of New York to not sign this bill into law; and

BE IT FURTHER, RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the

New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, U.S. Congressman Antonio Delgado, New York State Senator Michelle Hinchey, New York State Assemblyman Christopher Tague, the New York State Association of Counties, Herkimer County Legislature and Rem Arms LLC.

Meeting History

06/14/21 Government Operations MOVED FOR ADOPTION

RESULT: MOVED FOR ADOPTION [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Charles A. Martinez, Legislator / Budget Officer

SECONDER: Linda H. Overbaugh, Gregory Davis, Jack Keller

AYES: Luvera, Martinez, Overbaugh, Hobart, Davis, Keller, Linger, Lawrence, Lennon

Current Meeting

06/16/21 Greene County Legislature