



May 27, 2016

California State Senate & Assembly  
State Capitol Building  
Sacramento, CA

**Subject: AB 1674 - Opposed**

Dear Riverside County State Legislators:

It is my understanding that AB 1674 is scheduled to be heard before the State Assembly Committee on Appropriations today. I oppose this bill.

AB 1674 would expand the current restriction on the number of firearms an individual can purchase within a 30 day period. Currently the "one gun a month" rule only applies to dealer sales of handguns. This legislation is a misguided attempt to expand the current one handgun per month limitation to all long guns (shotguns and rifles).

Rather than targeting criminals, this legislation will have severe consequences for firearm collectors, competition shooters, museums, and various charitable organizations. AB 1674 will have no impact on criminal access to firearms and instead significantly hamper law abiding individuals, causing increased costs, time and paperwork to purchase multiple firearms. Californians are already required to make two trips to a dealer to purchase a single firearm, with a 10-day wait in between.

For an individual who is purchasing firearms for one of the many popular shooting sports such as Cowboy Action Shooting or Three Gun, this would mean at least six trips to a dealer, three separate sets of paperwork, fees and background checks all spanned out over a three month period. Criminals will continue to ignore this law purchasing firearms illegally, ignoring this burdensome and ineffective restriction.

As the Sheriff of Riverside County, I oppose this bill formally on record, and I urge a "no" vote on this bill should it comes before you on the floor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stan Sniff".

Stan Sniff  
Sheriff, Riverside County

CC: Senator Mike Morrell, Senator Richard Roth, Senator Jeff Stone, Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia, Assemblymember Brian Jones, Assemblymember Eric Linder, Assemblymember Chad Mayes, Assemblymember Jose Medina, Assemblymember Melissa Melendez, and Assemblymember Marie Waldron  
California State Sheriffs' Association (CSSA)