



GOVERNOR

The Vitter Record on Second Amendment and Sportsmen's Rights

David is the only candidate in the Louisiana Governor's race with an "A+" from the National Rifle Association (NRA) and Gun Owners of America.

David Vitter has opposed any and all attempts by the Humane Society to limit hunters' rights.

In 2009 and 2010, the Humane Society opposed an amendment that ended a federal ban on loaded guns in National Parks. David voted for the amendment, because he believes that hunters should have access to our parks and that our rights do not end when entering a park, and he fought to pass this provision into law.

In 2014, HSUS opposed the Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act, a bill to facilitate better access for hunters on federal lands, conserve lands important to hunting and recreation, and other pro-sportsmen priorities. It had an important provision to stop the EPA's misguided rule to ban lead ammo which would severely increase the price of ammunition based on a faulty outdated research. David co-authored this pro-hunting bill, and he successfully fought against the attack on traditional ammo by supporting language to block the rule in a spending bill.

David Vitter's Strong Record on Second Amendment and Hunting Rights

- David currently co-chairs the Senate's 2nd Amendment Task Force Caucus and continues to be a strong voice of leadership for the protection of Second Amendment rights against threats of an assault weapons ban and universal background checks.
- Voted against and helped defeat the Toomey-Machin bill that would have allowed for universal background checks.
- In 2006, and in response to Hurricane Katrina, David successfully passed into law a prohibition for federal agents to confiscate firearms during an emergency or major disaster.
- David also reintroduced his "Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act" with Senators Cornyn and Thune. This bill gives law-abiding citizens the freedom to exercise their fundamental right to self-defense by allowing individuals with concealed carry privileges in their own state to conceal carry in any other states that also allow the carrying of concealed firearms.
- David introduced a bill to end the pointless prohibition against purchasing handguns across state lines. No longer will this unnecessary burden block military personnel from purchasing a handgun in the state they are stationed, even if it isn't the state of their residence. Also, gun buyers that are not prohibited from purchasing a handgun in their home state can travel to neighboring states to find the best price on a handgun of their choice. This bill is the most important pro-gun consumer piece of legislation in memory.
- David has been on the forefront of the fight against President Obama's fanatical attempts to cut-off banking services to legal gun and ammo businesses with Operation Chokepoint. Sen. Vitter co-authored a budget amendment ending this illegal practice, and supported an amendment in recent banking legislation that requires the Obama administration to stop Operation Chokepoint.

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