

# **Urgent: Legislative Alert for SAM Members and Fish & Game Clubs**

## **Legislators Voting Tomorrow, Monday, April 15, 2024!**

Dear SAM Member,

LD 2238 - A **72-hour waiting period** bill passed the Senate by one vote. This bill must be defeated!

This bill is a direct attack on rural Maine and Fish & Game Clubs that conduct gun shows. If this bill passes it would make it impossible to conduct a gun show. Most urban Democrats do not seem to care, but some rural Maine Senators, that should know better supported it as well.

Senator Jackson of Aroostook County and Sen. Lafountain, Kennebec County, both rural Maine Senators should know better! Sen. Lafountain, Chair of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee should understand how this bill would make it very difficult for Maine Guides to assist their clients. They should both understand how Fish and Game Clubs use gun shows to sign up new members, fund important firearm safety programs and use these shows to connect to the local community.

These bills are driven by out of state groups, funded by Michael Bloomberg, the same guy that said ten years ago he would use his money to take down the NRA. Why would these State Senators side with Michael Bloomberg, not their own community, their traditions and common sense?

Let them know how you feel and ask them to change their votes. Below is a link to the Senate roll call vote. If your Senator voted yes, ask them to change their vote. In addition, the bill is going to the House, ask your Representative to vote no on LD 2238!

We are focusing on these Senators, please call them and ask them to vote no on LD 2238.

- Senate President Troy Jackson (D- Aroostook): (207) 436-0763
- Senator Tim Nangle (D- Cumberland): (207) 650-4407
- Senator Chip Curry (D- Waldo): (207) 323-9976
- Senator Cameron Reny (D-Lincoln): (207) 287-1515
- Senator Dave LaFountain (D-Kennebec): (207) 873-5995
- Senator Mike Tipping (D-Penobscot): (207) 287-1515

**Senate Roll Call, LD**

**2238:** <https://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/rollcallfriendly.asp?Id=280092177&chamber=Senate&serialnumber=711>

**Contact Your**

**Representative:** <https://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/MemberProfiles/ContactYourLegislator>

**Additional Legislative Alerts**

**LD 1696 - An Act to Create a Civil Cause of Action for Persons Suffering Damages Arising from the Sale of Abnormally Dangerous Firearms** - allows frivolous lawsuits against firearm manufacturers and businesses. We defeated this bill in the Senate. Unfortunately, the fight is not done. It passed in the House and there are more votes to come. **See how your Representative voted and if they voted yes, ask them to change their vote.**

**House Roll Call, LD**

**1696:** <https://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/rollcallfriendly.asp?Id=280088781&chamber=House&serialnumber=506>

**LD 2283 - A Red Flag bill** will be voted on this week, but it is still in committee. Contact your Representative and Senator and ask them to vote no on the Red Flag.

**Contact Your Representative and Senator and ask them to vote no on LD**

**2283:** <https://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/MemberProfiles/ContactYourLegislator>

**LD 2086 - An Act to Amend the Law Governing the Disposition of Forfeited Firearms** - This bill mandates the destruction of firearms, when they could otherwise be rehabilitated and sold through proper channels. This bill also uncovered a problematic definition of machine gun in state statute that could be read to classify shotguns/bird shot etc. as machine guns because it focuses on projectiles and not actual shots fired.

**Contact Your Representative and Senator and ask them to vote no on LD**

**2086:** <https://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/MemberProfiles/ContactYourLegislator>