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Should Gun Control Laws Be Enacted

Why aren't more laws enforced? Gun Control laws have been a public issue for many years. Today, many states consider the proponents' argument in favor of enacting gun control laws. Clearly, the proponents have a better argument than the opponents because they assert that gun control laws would result in fewer suicides; protection for women against their domestic abusers and stalkers, and a reduction in accidental gun deaths.

Firstly, proponents argue that gun control laws would lead to fewer suicides. For example, they argue that researchers found that "in Indiana and Connecticut, gun suicide decreased by 7.5% and 13.7% respectively, while suicide by other means did not decrease during the same time".(Pro 9) This implies that enacting gun control laws would make firearms unavailable to people that pose a threat to themselves and others.

Secondly, proponents argue that gun control laws would protect women from domestic abusers and stalkers. For example, the proponents claim that "a woman's risk of being murdered increases 500% if a gun is presented during a domestic dispute".(Pro 4) They also assert that "57% of mass shootings involve domestic violence." (Pro 4) Furthermore, they declare that "76% of woman murdered, and 85% of women who survived a murder attempt by an intimate partner were stalked in the year before the murder or murder attempt." (Pro 4).This suggests that gun control laws would protect women by banning convicted misdemeanor stalkers from owning firearms and force convicted domestic abusers to relinquish their guns.

On the contrary, opponents believe that enacting gun control laws should not be a discussion. They argue that "More gun control is not needed, but instead more education about guns and gun safety is needed to prevent accidental gun deaths". (Pro 10) However, the proponents have a better argument. They affirm that enacting gun control laws would have mandatory safety features to prevent accidental gun deaths.(Pro 10) This suggests that taking more safety measures would reduce accidental gun deaths.

In conclusion, the proponents for enacting gun control laws have a better argument than the opponents because they support their argument more effectively. The proponents use evidence that disproves the opponents' claims. They show the benefits of enacting gun control laws by arguing that they would lead to fewer suicides by making firearms unavailable for people that pose a threat to themselves. They would also protect women from domestic abusers and

stalkers by banning and forcing them to give up rights to own a license-to carry and relinquish their guns. Additionally, they will enforce mandatory safety features to prevent accidental gun deaths. As such, it is clear that the proponents' argument to enact gun control laws is much stronger; therefore, these laws should be enacted.