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For further information on Hawaii firearm laws,
please visit www.nraila.org and click on the "Gun Laws" feature located in the menu.

1. Do you agree that the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution guarantees a fundamental, individual right to keep and bear arms that applies to all Americans, regardless of where they live in the United States?

- a. Yes.
- b. No.

2. Which of the following statements best represents your opinion on the prevention of violent crime?

- a. Gun control laws will reduce the violent crime problem.
- b. Gun control laws will not reduce the violent crime problem, but they must be a part of the overall solution.
- c. Gun control laws are misdirected; the solution is the enforcement of existing laws, which punish criminals who misuse firearms and other weapons in the commission of crimes.
- d. Other: _____

3. Considering current Hawaii firearm laws, would you support any additional restrictive state legislation regulating firearms or ammunition?

- a. Yes, I support additional restrictive state legislation regulating firearms and ammunition.
- b. Yes, I support additional restrictive state legislation regulating firearms. Please explain: _____
- c. Yes, I support additional restrictive state legislation regulating ammunition. Please explain: _____
- d. No, current state firearm laws are sufficient.
- e. No, current state firearm laws should be improved to benefit law-abiding gun owners and sportsmen in Hawaii.

4. Would you support state legislation banning the manufacture, possession, ownership, purchase, sale and/or transfer of any firearms?

- a. Yes, for all firearms. Please specify type of restriction(s): _____
- b. Yes, for all handguns. Please specify type of restriction(s): _____
- c. Yes, for some firearms. Please specify types of firearms/restriction(s): _____
- d. No, I do not support a ban on any firearms.

5. In 1992, the Hawaii Legislature created a new class of firearms, referred to as "assault pistols" and prohibited the possession of detachable ammunition magazines with a capacity in excess of 10 rounds for pistols. In 1994, Congress imposed a 10-year ban on the manufacture, for sale to private individuals, of various semi-automatic* firearms it termed "assault weapons," and of ammunition magazines capable of holding more than ten rounds of ammunition, which primarily affected handguns designed for self-defense. Congress' subsequent study of the ban, as well as state and local law enforcement agency reports, showed that contrary to the ban's supporters' claims, the guns and magazines had never been used in more than about 1%-2% of violent crime. Since this federal ban expired in 2004, the numbers of these firearms and magazines owned have risen to all-time highs and violent crime has fallen to a 42-year low.

* Generally, these are semi-automatic pistols that accept detachable magazines and have certain other purely cosmetic features but which are functionally identical to other semiautomatic pistols that are still legal in Hawaii.

A. Would you support legislation to repeal the state prohibition on arbitrarily selected "assault pistols?"

- a. Yes, I would cosponsor such legislation.
- b. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- c. No, I would oppose such legislation. Please explain: _____

B. Would you support legislation to extend the state restrictions on "assault pistols" to the private possession of semi-automatic rifles, often inaccurately referred to by the media as "assault weapons," because of their cosmetic similarity to fully automatic assault rifles?

- a. Yes. Please specify: _____
- b. No, restrictions on semi-automatic firearms will only affect law-abiding citizens and will have no effect on the criminal misuse of firearms.

C. Would you support legislation to conform Hawaii law to federal law and allow law-abiding individuals to possess ammunition magazines legal under federal law?

- a. Yes, I would cosponsor such legislation.
- b. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- c. No, I would oppose such legislation. Please explain: THERE SHOULD BE NO RESTRICTION TO MAG SIZE.

6. Many .50 caliber firearms are used in big game hunting and target competition, and the .50 caliber BMG cartridge has been used for nearly a century. Would you support state legislation prohibiting the ownership and/or sale of any .50 caliber firearms or ammunition in Hawaii?

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- b. No, I would oppose such legislation.

7. Under the guise of "crime control," anti-gun groups are promoting legislation in different states to mandate the use of certain technologies on firearms and ammunition sold within those states. "Ballistic imaging" laws would require each gun to be test-fired prior to sale and "fingerprinted" for entry into a law enforcement database. Similarly, gun control advocates are also promoting bills requiring gun manufacturers to incorporate "microstamping" technology into each handgun sold, so that it imprints identifying information about the firearm onto a cartridge case when fired, and requiring ammunition manufacturers to encode each cartridge produced by imprinting a unique serial number on the case and base of the bullet for entry upon sale into a state database. These proposals rely on unproven technology, which would significantly drive up the cost of producing firearms and ammunition and have limited crime-fighting utility (a tiny fraction of legally purchased firearms and ammunition are ever used in crimes). Would you support state legislation mandating the ballistic imaging of firearms, microstamping of cartridge cases, or encoding of ammunition before sales could lawfully take place in Hawaii?

- a. Yes, I would support legislation mandating ballistic imaging, microstamping and/or ammunition encoding.
- b. No, I would oppose legislation mandating ballistic imaging, microstamping and/or ammunition encoding.
- c. Other. Please explain: _____

8. In some states, gun control supporters have promoted legislation that would require all new firearms to be equipped with "smart" gun features supposedly designed to prevent a firearm from being fired by someone other than its owner. One variation on the technology would even allow a gun to be remotely disabled by an electronic signal, which could be used to the gun owner's disadvantage. "Smart" gun technologies are still in the developmental stage and studies have found that they are not technically reliable. Even law enforcement has expressed concerns about its reliability. Furthermore, many gun purchasers do not want guns that have such technology, they even more strongly do not want it to be mandatory in new firearms, and they believe that gun control supporters are pushing for a "smart" gun requirement because they believe it would disincline people from acquiring new guns. Would you support legislation mandating that only "smart" guns be sold in Hawaii?

- a. Yes, I would support such legislation.
- b. No, I would oppose such legislation.

