### **Hyde-Smith cosponsors** gun bills

Second amendment measures would create firearms safety tax credits, drop prohibition-era regulations on short-barreled rifles

### **News Release**

WASHINGTON, D.C. U.S. Senator Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-Miss.) is cosponsoring a pair of Second Amendment-related bills to promote firearm safety through tax credits and to remove Prohibition-era regulations on short-barreled rifles.

Hyde-Smith on Wednesday joined Senator Roger chambers. Marshall (R-Kan.) to introand the Home Defense and Competitive Shooting Act.

"Firearms laws can be reformed, just not in any way that threatens our Second Amendment rights," Hyde-Smith said. "This pair of bills would create incentives for more people to learn firearm safety and also eliminate are good policy and have my full support."

credit for taking a firearms safety course and/or purchasing a gun safe. The legislation would:

firearm safety course, conor other training, license, and state-certified instructor or issued under the authority of

\* Credit for gun owners up to \$100 every ten years to apply toward the purchase of a gun safe used for securing their weapons.

\* Prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from requiring information to be provided to the federal government with respect to the firearm.

The second bill, the Home Defense and Competitive Shooting Act, would remove Prohibition-era regulations placed on short-barreled rifles (SBR) by the National Firearms Act of 1934. SBR are firearms with barrels of less than 16 inches in length. The legislation would:

- \* Eliminate the prohibition on the transportation of SBR in the interstate commerce;
- \* Preempt state or local laws imposing a tax on SBR; and
- \* Preempt state or local laws imposing licensing requirements on SBR such as fingerprints and Chief Law Enforcement Officer signatures; and instead classify and regulate SBR under the same restrictions as other semiautomatic rifles.

The National Rifle Association supports both measures.

### **MS Governor Tate Reeves signs** "Hudson's Law" to protect babies from lethal discrimination abortions

Legislation would require doctors to provide accurate info to parents that will empower them to choose life

#### **News Release**

Jackson, MS. - The national pro-life group Susan B. Anthony List (SBA List) today celebrated as Mississippi Governor Tate Reeves signed the Down Syndrome Information Act, legislation that would require doctors to provide accurate and upto-date educational information to parents of children newly diagnosed with Down syndrome. The legislation passed with wide bipartisan support in both legislative

The bill is commonly duce the Firearms Safety Act known as "Hudson's Law," named after Hudson Hartman, a two-year-old Mississippian who has Down syndrome. Last year, Hudson and his mom Mika were key lobbyists for the Life Equality Act, legislation to ban discrimination abortions based on race, sex, disability, or genetic makeup. Goveroutdated federal red tape and nor Reeves signed the Life taxes on some guns. Both Equality Act into law last summer.

"We Governor thank The first measure, the Reeves for signing Hudson's Firearms Safety Act, would Law and for his strong procreate a non-refundable tax life leadership in Mississippi," said SBA List State child may have Down syn-Policy Director Sue Liebel. "This law goes hand in hand with the Life Equality Act \* Credit gun owners up to and will serve as an impor-\$100 annually for taking a tant check to ensure that doctors are empowering parents cealed carry firearms course, of children who have Down syndrome with accurate inpermit programs taught by a formation and resources. Parents deserve to know that leaders.



99% of people with Down syndrome live happy and fulfilled lives. No child should be deprived of the right to be born, especially due to a disability – this is no less than modern-day eugenics.

"We are grateful to State Senator Jeremy England and State Representative Jansen Owen for championing this legislation. Their leadership on behalf of Mississippi's most vulnerable will save lives."

Polling conducted earlier this year found that 70% of Americans, including 56% of those who identify as prochoice, 59% of Democrats, and 70% of Independents, oppose abortion based on the expectation that an unborn

SBA List is a network of 900,000 pro-life Americans nationwide, dedicated to ending abortion by electing national leaders and advocating for laws that save lives, with a special calling to promote pro-life women

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