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## **THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS STANDS FOR GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION**

**For nearly three decades—since 1990—our organization has fought for the sensible use of firearms, and against the increasing use of violent weapons turned against fellow citizens—often children—within our communities.**

During the coming weeks you will find many opportunities to take a stand for gun violence prevention in your schools, houses of worship, and town-halls. The League of Women Voters of Michigan encourages you to join that debate. Raise your voice. Advance sensible arguments that protect our schools. Advocate for change.

LWVMI opposes bills that allow those with concealed pistol licenses with additional training to carry in certain gun-free zones, [SBs 584](#), [585](#) and [585](#), that are assigned to the House Judiciary Committee. LWVUS

continues to [support legislation](#) to strengthen reporting to the National Background Check Database.

This is the League's position. To learn more background, visit the link to ["Impact on Issues 2016-2018,"](#) below.

### ***The League's Position***

*Statement of Position on Gun Control, as Adopted by 1990 Convention and amended by the 1994 and 1998 Conventions:*

***The League of Women Voters of the United States believes that the proliferation of handguns and semi-automatic assault weapons in the United States is a major health and safety threat to its citizens. The League supports strong federal measures to limit the accessibility and regulate the ownership of these weapons by private citizens. The League supports regulating firearms for consumer safety.***

***The League supports licensing procedures for gun ownership by private citizens to include a waiting period for background checks, personal identity verification, gun safety education and annual license renewal. The license fee should be adequate to bear the cost of education and verification.***

***The League supports a ban on "Saturday night specials," enforcement of strict penalties for the***

***improper possession of and crimes committed with handguns and assault weapons, and allocation of resources to better regulate and monitor gun dealers.***

<http://forum.lwv.org/member-resources/book/gun-control>

Democracy trembles without trust. Join your fellow Leaguers—back sensible gun reform—to keep Democracy strong.

In League,

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