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Statement From Senate Republican Leader Rob Ortt On New Background Check Mandates for Ammunition Purchases

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Last week, the latest attack on New Yorkers' 2nd Amendment rights went into effect, with new taxes, fees and burdensome new requirements for background checks on ammo purchases. The latest infringement has led to long delays, increased costs, and even forced some businesses throughout the state to close their doors for good.

Not surprisingly, consumers and businesses are frustrated. I voted against this latest infringement on our 2nd amendment rights.

Despite what Albany politicians would have you believe, these ridiculous new mandates – which are being challenged in court – will do nothing to curb illegal gun violence in our state. All it will do is

drive out small businesses and make it more difficult for New Yorkers to exercise their constitutional right to protect themselves at a time when New York continues to become more dangerous.