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Sen Squadron, AM Kavanagh, New Yorkers Against Gun Violence Issue Joint Statement on Senate Majority's Refusal to Allow a Vote on 50-Caliber Gun Ban

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NEW YORK – Senator Daniel Squadron, Assemblymember Brian Kavanagh, and New Yorkers Against **Gun Violence** released the following joint statement in response to the Senate Majority's refusal to allow a vote on bill S2028/A3322. The 50-caliber ban is part of the [legislative agenda announced by NYAGV and members of State Legislators Against Illegal Guns](#) in January.

"It's sad and unfortunate that the Senate Majority is refusing to allow a vote on bill S2028/A3322, which would protect New Yorkers from a certain extremely powerful and deadly 50-caliber weapon. Fifty-caliber rifles can kill at distances greater than a mile and are able to penetrate body armor, light armored vehicles, helicopters, and grounded airplanes, raising serious concerns about use by terrorists. They are suitable for long-range snipers and military combat, and can serve no useful purpose for hunting or protecting one's home.

"The Senate Majority is using a procedural trick to block this common-sense public safety law. New Yorkers should not be fooled. We urge an immediate vote."