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## Senate Deputy Leader Gianaris Continues Fight For Stronger Gun Safety Laws

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ALBANY, N.Y. – Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris met with anti-gun violence groups at the state Capitol and spoke at a press conference hosted by New Yorkers Against Gun Violence on Tuesday. The groups were in Albany calling for stronger gun safety laws.

“Fighting for the nation’s toughest gun safety laws remains one of my top priorities. Delivering critical reforms, including closing the ‘Charleston Loophole’, banning bump

stocks, and the ‘red flag’ law are crucial to keeping schools, families, and our community safer,” said **Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris**. “I am especially made hopeful by the work of the young activists who have been energized by this issue and continue the fight for gun safety reform every single day.”

Senator Gianaris has written some of America’s toughest gun laws, including a law closing the “Charleston Loophole,” requiring a longer wait time for background checks to be completed before a gun sale can be completed – the failure that led to Charleston church shooter Dylann Roof being able to purchase firearms when he would have otherwise been unable. He also authored New York’s universal background check law and passed new regulations on ammunition dealers. The newly-elected Democratic Senate Majority made passing gun safety laws one of their early signatures, banning bump stocks and enacting a “red flag” law, making it possible for guns to be removed from the home of someone adjudicated to be a danger to themselves or others.

Photos of his meetings with New Yorkers Against Gun Violence and Moms Demand Action are available here: <https://bit.ly/2PSV93g> (Moms Demand)

Video of his remarks at New Yorkers Against Gun Violence press conference is available here: <https://bit.ly/2VOWMEy>.