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S. RES. 133

Expressing the sense of the Senate that every handgun sold in the United States should include a child safety device.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. KOHL, Mr. CHAFEE, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. REED, Mr. INOUE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mr. ROBB) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Senate that every handgun sold in the United States should include a child safety device.

Whereas eight leading American gun manufacturers have now agreed to include child safety devices on their handguns;

Whereas each year, nearly 40,000 Americans are killed by firearms;

Whereas more than 500 children are killed accidentally each year by gunshots;

Whereas many of these deaths and injuries are caused by handguns manufactured in the United States;

Whereas a simple child safety device could have prevented at least some of these deaths and injuries; and

Whereas there are still a number of American gun makers, including some of the nation's largest, who have not committed to including a child safety device on their guns: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate that every
- 2 American handgun manufacturer should voluntarily begin
- 3 equipping all new handguns with child safety devices.

