

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 597

To amend section 922 of chapter 44 of title 28, United States Code, to protect the rights of citizens under the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 11, 1999

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BURNS, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. MURKOWSKI) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Second Amendment
5 Rights Protection Act of 1999”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROTECTION OF SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS.**

2 Subsection (t) of section 922 of chapter 44 of title
3 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting at the
4 end thereof the following new paragraph:

5 “(7) None of the funds appropriated pursuant
6 to any provision of law may be used for (1) any sys-
7 tem to implement this subsection that does not re-
8 quire and result in the immediate destruction of all
9 information, in any form whatsoever, submitted by
10 or on behalf of any person who has been determined
11 not to be prohibited from owning a firearm; (2) the
12 implementation or collection of any tax or fee by any
13 officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or
14 by any state or local officer or agent acting on be-
15 half of the United States, in connection with the im-
16 plementation of this subsection; provided, that any
17 person aggrieved by a violation of this provision may
18 bring an action in the Federal district court for the
19 district in which the person resides; provided fur-
20 ther, that any person who is successful with respect
21 to any such action shall receive damages, punitive
22 damages, and such other remedies as the court may
23 determine to be appropriate, including a reasonable
24 attorney’s fee.”.

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