



# 2023 GUN SAFETY **REPORT CARD**

## ILLINOIS STATE LEGISLATURE



## DEAR SUPPORTER,

The Gun Violence Prevention Action Committee (GVPAction) is proud to release its third annual Gun Safety Report Card for 2023. The legislation in the Gun Safety Report Card is the culmination of the work of survivors, public supporters, and gun safety champions who advocated tirelessly for laws that will keep Illinois children, families, and communities safe from gun violence.

Sadly, firearms continue to be the leading cause of death for Illinois children and across the nation. From 2018 to 2021, there was a 41.6% increase in the firearm death rate for U.S. children and teens. In 2021, among children who died by firearms, 84.8% were male, 49.9% were Black, and 82.6% were aged 15 to 19 years. Gun violence is ripping children from their parents, loved ones from their families, and neighbors from our communities. We cannot allow ourselves to be desensitized to this violence. It leaves a wake of trauma across our communities that takes decades or more to recover. Gun violence is a public health epidemic and we must continue to advocate for measures to end it in Illinois.

This year, we saw two life saving measures signed into law. On January 10, 2023, Illinois became the 9th state to pass comprehensive legislation banning the sale and possession of assault weapons (Protect Illinois Communities Act). The law imposes an immediate ban on the manufacturing and sale of assault weapons, high-capacity magazines, and switches in Illinois. It extends the duration of a Firearm Restraining Order (FRO) from 6 months to one year and gives states attorneys standing to assist in filing a FRO. The law enacted Universal Background Checks for private gun sales starting July 1, 2023, and created an anti-gun trafficking strike force at Illinois State Police.

In May, 2023, Illinois passed the Firearms Industry Responsibility Act (FIRA), a law that allows victims and survivors of gun violence to hold gun manufacturers accountable through legal action for the harm they have caused by either their actions or inactions. FIRA makes clear that the Illinois Attorney General's office can use Illinois' Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act to take enforcement action against firearms dealers and manufacturers that engage in dangerous sales and marketing practices. The law prohibits advertising and marketing that encourages para-military or unlawful private militia activity and prevents advertising to minors that encourages the use of a firearm in a manner not authorized by law, including advertising that uses cartoons, stuffed animals and clothing targeted towards children. FIRA levels the playing field and treats gun manufacturers like any other industry in America, which can face legal action if they break the law.

Despite the progress we have made, our work is far from over. After the actions by the United States Supreme Court this year striking down evidence-based gun safety laws, we must continue to pass legislation to address this public health crisis at the state level. We look forward to advancing evidence-based policies that reduce illegal guns, gun trafficking, straw purchasing, require safe gun storage and remove guns from domestic abusers.

Please know that we cannot do our work without the support of people like you. Gun violence affects everyone in our state, and we are committed to achieving an Illinois free of gun violence. Holding our officials accountable is a critical element of this progress to a more peaceful Illinois and it is my hope that you will find this helpful in understanding which of your officials are committed to creating safe communities for everyone.

**Thank you for your commitment to ending gun violence in Illinois.**



**Kathleen Sances**  
President and CEO  
Gun Violence Prevention Action Committee

# 2023 GUN SAFETY REPORT CARD GRADING SYSTEM

Members of the 103rd General Assembly

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## **HB 5471\* Protect Illinois Communities Act (PICA)**

Bans the sale and possession of assault weapons, imposes an immediate ban on the manufacturing and sale of assault weapons, high-capacity magazines, and switches.

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## **HB 218 Firearms Industry Responsibility Act (FIRA)**

Allows victims and survivors of gun violence to hold gun manufacturers accountable through legal action for the harm they have caused by either their actions or inactions.

*\*GVPAction Committee Priority Policy*

# SENATE GUN SAFETY REPORT CARD

Below is a Gun Safety Report Card for each member of the Illinois State Senate.

## SENATE

Sorted by District Number

LEGISLATOR	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE
Javier L. Cervantes	1	D	A
Omar Aquino	2	D	A
Mattie Hunter	3	D	A
Kimberly A. Lightford	4	D	A
Lakesia Collins	5	D	A
Sara Feigenholtz	6	D	A
Mike Simmons	7	D	A
Ram Villivalam	8	D	A
Laura Fine	9	D	A
Robert F. Martwick	10	D	A
Mike Porfirio	11	D	A
Celina Villanueva	12	D	A
Robert Peters	13	D	A
Emil Jones, III	14	D	A
Napoleon Harris, III	15	D	A
Willie Preston	16	D	A
Elgie R. Sims, Jr.	17	D	A
Bill Cunningham	18	D	A
Michael E. Hastings	19	D	A
Natalie Toro	20	D	N/A
Laura Ellman	21	D	A
Cristina Castro	22	D	A
Suzy Glowiak Hilton	23	D	A
Seth Lewis	24	R	F
Karina Villa	25	D	A
Dan McConchie	26	R	F
Ann Gillespie	27	D	A
Laura M. Murphy	28	D	A
Julie A. Morrison	29	D	A
Adriane Johnson	30	D	A

LEGISLATOR	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE
Mary Edy-Allen	31	D	A
Craig Wilcox	32	R	F
Donald P. DeWitte	33	R	F
Steve Stadelman	34	D	A
Dave Syverson	35	R	F
Michael W. Halpin	36	D	F
Win Stoller	37	R	F
Sue Rezin	38	R	F
President Don Harmon	39	D	A
Patrick J. Joyce	40	D	D
John F. Curran	41	R	F
Linda Holmes	42	D	F
Rachel Ventura	43	D	A
Sally J. Turner	44	R	F
Andrew S. Chesney	45	R	F
David Koehler	46	D	C
Neil Anderson	47	R	F
Doris Turner	48	D	D
Meg Loughran Cappel	49	D	C
Jil Tracy	50	R	F
Chapin Rose	51	R	F
Paul Faraci	52	D	A
Tom Bennett	53	R	F
Steve McClure	54	R	F
Jason Plummer	55	R	F
Erica Harriss	56	R	F
Christopher Belt	57	D	A
Terri Bryant	58	R	F
Dale Fowler	59	R	F

# HOUSE GUN SAFETY REPORT CARD

Below is a Gun Safety Report Card for each member of the Illinois House of Representatives.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Sorted by District Number*

LEGISLATOR	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE
Aaron M. Ortiz	1	D	A
Elizabeth "Lisa" Hernandez	2	D	A
Eva-Dina Delgado	3	D	A
Lillian Jimenez	4	D	A
Kimberly du Buclet	5	D	N/A
Sonya M. Harper	6	D	A
Speaker Chris Welch	7	D	A
La Shawn K. Ford	8	D	A
Yolonda Morris	9	D	N/A
Jawaharial Williams	10	D	A
Ann M. Williams	11	D	A
Margaret Croke	12	D	A
Hoan Huynh	13	D	A
Kelly M. Cassidy	14	D	A
Michael Kelly	15	D	A
Kevin John Olickal	16	D	A
Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz	17	D	A
Robyn Gabel	18	D	A
Lindsey LaPointe	19	D	A
Bradley Stephens	20	R	B
Abdelnasser Rashid	21	D	A
Angelica Guerrero-Cuellar	22	D	B
Edgar Gonzalez, Jr.	23	D	A
Theresa Mah	24	D	A
Curtis J. Tarver, II	25	D	A
Kambium Buckner	26	D	A
Justin Slaughter	27	D	A
Robert Rita	28	D	A
Thaddeus Jones	29	D	A
William Davis	30	D	B

LEGISLATOR	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE
Mary E. Flowers	31	D	A
Cyril Nichols	32	D	A
Marcus C. Evans, Jr.	33	D	A
Nicholas K. Smith	34	D	A
Mary Gill	35	D	A
Kelly M. Burke	36	D	A
Tim Ozinga	37	R	F
Debbie Meyers-Martin	38	D	A
Will Guzzardi	39	D	A
Jaime M. Andrade, Jr.	40	D	A
Janet Yang Rohr	41	D	A
Terra Costa Howard	42	D	A
Anna Moeller	43	D	A
Fred Crespo	44	D	A
Jenn Ladisch Douglass	45	D	A
Diane Blair-Sherlock	46	D	A
Amy L. Grant	47	R	F
Jennifer Sanalidro	48	R	F
Maura Hirschauer	49	D	A
Barbara Hernandez	50	D	A
Nabeela Syed	51	D	A
Martin McLaughlin	52	R	F
Mark L. Walker	53	D	A
Mary Beth Canty	54	D	A
Martin J. Moylan	55	D	A
Michelle Mussman	56	D	A
Jonathan Carroll	57	D	A
Bob Morgan	58	D	A
Daniel Didech	59	D	A
Rita Mayfield	60	D	A

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONTINUED

Sorted by District Number

LEGISLATOR	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE
Joyce Mason	61	D	A
Laura Faver Davis	62	D	A
Steven Reick	63	R	F
Tom Weber	64	R	F
Dan Ugaste	65	R	F
Suzanne Ness	66	D	A
Maurice A. West, II	67	D	A
Dave Vella	68	D	A
Joe Sosnowski	69	R	F
Jeff Keicher	70	R	F
Dan Swanson	71	R	F
Gregg Johnson	72	D	A
Ryan Spain	73	R	F
Bradley Fritts	74	R	F
Jed Davis	75	R	F
Lance Yednock	76	D	D
Norma Hernandez	77	D	A
Camille Y. Lilly	78	D	A
Jackie Haas	79	R	F
Anthony DeLuca	80	D	F
Anne Stava-Murray	81	D	A
John Egofske	82	R	F
Matt Hanson	83	D	A
Stephanie A. Kifowit	84	D	A
Dagmara Avelar	85	D	A
Lawrence Walsh, Jr.	86	D	F
William E. Hauter	87	R	F
Dan Caulkins	88	R	F
Tony M. McCombie	89	R	F

LEGISLATOR	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE
John M. Cabello	90	R	F
Sharon Chung	91	D	F
Jehan Gordon-Booth	92	D	A
Travis Weaver	93	R	F
Norine K. Hammond	94	R	F
Michael J. Coffery, Jr.	95	R	D
Sue Scherer	96	D	D
Harry Benton	97	D	A
Natalie A. Manley	98	D	A
Randy E. Frese	99	R	F
C.D. Davidsmeyer	100	R	F
Chris Miller	101	R	F
Adam N. Niemerg	102	R	F
Carol Ammons	103	D	A
Michael T. Marron	104	R	F
Dennis Tipsword, Jr.	105	R	F
Jason Bunting	106	R	F
Brad Halbrook	107	R	F
Wayne A. Rosenthal	108	R	F
Charles Meier	109	R	F
Blaine Wilhour	110	R	F
Amy Elik	111	R	F
Katie Stuart	112	D	A
Jay Hoffman	113	D	A
Kevin Schmidt	114	R	F
David Friess	115	R	F
Dave Severin	116	R	F
Patrick Windhorst	117	R	F
Paul Jacobs	118	R	F