

Mr. Chairman, Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to speak today. I am excited to discuss three bills that are a priority for me. These bills protect our second amendment rights, help our law enforcement agencies solve violent crimes, and improve state clearance rates, and protect U.S. companies from vindictive Russian litigation.

The Second Amendment Restoration Act of 2025

I am proud to introduce the Second Amendment Restoration Act, legislation designed to correct critical flaws in the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, signed into law in 2022.

At its core, this bill restores the proper constitutional balance.

First, it repeals the federal incentives that have encouraged states to adopt Red Flag Laws—policies that undermine due process, erode constitutional protections, and expose law-abiding Americans to government overreach.

Second, the legislation eliminates federal funding for the expansion of the National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

The recent expansion has created unconstitutional delays for lawful firearm purchasers, burdening citizens who are simply attempting to exercise a fundamental right.

Importantly, this bill does not impede legitimate law enforcement efforts.

Agencies will retain full authority to prosecute illegal weapons trafficking and combat violent crime.

What this bill ensures is that law-abiding Americans are no longer treated as suspects for choosing to exercise their Second Amendment rights.

The role of the federal government is straight-forward:

Focus on stopping criminals, not monitoring citizens.

Criminal justice systems should be directed at preventing crime, not at spying on Americans or stripping away their constitutional freedoms.

The Second Amendment is clear, and so is our responsibility to defend it.

This legislation moves us back toward the constitutional principles that have guided this nation since its founding.

Carla Walker Act

I introduced the Carla Walker Act this year.

This legislation is named after Carla Walker, who was abducted in Fort Worth, Texas, in 1974 before being found dead three days later.

Her brother never stopped searching for her killer, and through advanced DNA technology, her killer was identified and brought to justice.

The bill will create two \$5 million pilot programs to support Forensic Genetic Genealogy (FGG) DNA analysis to help solve previously unsolvable cold cases.

This is an issue that transcends party lines and unites the American public.

Whether you are a Democrat or a Republican, the ability to identify perpetrators and prevent future crime is fundamental to ensuring the safety of our nation.

Solving violent crimes and delivering justice for families who have been torn apart is a cause worth fighting for and this bill would go a long way at giving law enforcement a fighting chance to bring some of these perpetrators to justice.

PARL ACT (Protecting Americans from Russian Litigation Act)

Tomorrow I am re-filing the Protecting Americans from Russian Litigation Act that I carried last Congress.

This bill will prevent U.S. companies from being sued for good faith compliance with U.S. sanctions and export controls in Russia.

With the current geopolitical situation Russian litigators have been using lawfare to try and punish U.S. companies for complying with sanctions against them.

This has resulted in numerous suits being brought against U.S. companies in Russian courts, some U.S. companies are facing hundreds of millions of dollars in potential damages.

There's no need for American companies following the direction of our government to be penalized.

This bill would simply provide protection for U.S. persons and entities facing this legal jeopardy from Russian lawfare and ensures that sanctions against Russia remain effective.

I urge this Committee to support these bills.

Thank you for your time.