

NFA MEDIA RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Liberals move to bring back long-gun registry

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OTTAWA - Today the federal Liberal government tabled Bill C-52 in the House of Commons that brings back the supposed-scrapped long-gun registry, but at the provincial level by allowing the provinces access to the old registry data.

Previously the Government of Quebec went to court to get the long-gun registry data but the Supreme Court sided with Canada's National Firearms Association (NFA) who fought back on the request, declaring the provinces had no right to it.

Bill C-52 changes the law so that the government of Canada can give the data directly to the government of Quebec.

"This appears to be nothing more than a work-around for the federal Liberals," said Sheldon Clare, president of the NFA. "They said they wouldn't bring in a long-gun registry, but they didn't say they would get the provinces to set up their own. This is a huge betrayal to all of the people who believed they were being honest."

The Government of Quebec passed a bill to create their own long-gun registry in 2015 but the NFA has challenged their right to do so in court, which is scheduled to be heard this coming fall. As the NFA's court challenge is on-going the Quebec government has not yet implemented their long-gun registry.

"Every province in this country may have its own long-gun registry in the next couple of years if the NFA is not successful in stopping them in court. All firearms owners and users in this country need to come together to stop this nonsense before it is too late," concluded Clare.

Canada's National Firearms Association is this country's largest and most effective advocacy organization representing the interests of firearms owners and users.

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