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Federal Assault Weapons Ban Bill Plus Your State's Position Checklist

A calm, practical worksheet for responsible owners. Print it, fill it in, keep it with your records.

Last verified: _____

Source of record: Congress.gov + your state legislature

The Federal Bill at a Glance

- Bill name: **Assault Weapons Ban of 2025**
- House version: **H.R. 3115** | Senate version: **S. 1531**
- What it would restrict: making, selling, importing, or transferring covered semi-automatic firearms and magazines over 10 rounds
- Existing owners are **grandfathered**: you keep what you lawfully owned before the effective date
- Secure storage required for grandfathered firearms
- New production must carry a serial number and a date of manufacture

Current status (mark what you verified):

- Introduced
- In committee
- Passed one chamber
- Signed into law
- Stalled

*As of late 2026 the bill has **not passed**. No new federal restriction is in force.*

1994 Versus the Current Bill

	1994 ban	Current bill (2025)
Feature test	Two features	One feature
Named guns	19 models	AR-15, AK-47 patterns and more
Magazine cap	Over 10 rounds	Over 10 rounds
Existing owners	Grandfathered	Grandfathered
Sunset	Expired 2004	No automatic sunset

The single biggest change is the one-feature test. It is built to close the workaround that made the 1994 law easy to dodge.

Step 1: Run Your Firearm Through the Feature Check

Mark each item that applies. One match means the firearm would likely be covered, and grandfathered if you already own it.

First question:

- Accepts a detachable magazine

If yes, does it have even one of these features?

- Pistol grip
- Adjustable, folding, or telescoping stock
- Barrel shroud
- Threaded barrel
- Forward grip
- Other listed feature: _____

A fixed-magazine or traditional sporting setup is far less likely to fall in scope. Confirm the final enacted feature list before acting, since wording can change.

Step 2: Log Your State's Position

My state:

- _____
- My state already bans these firearms
- My state has no such ban

Pending state bill number(s):

Registration or disposal window (date):

My state legislature page (URL):

If your state already bans these firearms, federal passage changes little for you. If your state has no restrictions, the federal bill is your main exposure, so monitor it.

Step 3: Map the States You Travel Through

State	Bans these firearms?	Magazine limit?	Notes

A firearm or magazine that is legal at home can be prohibited in your destination state, so check before you cross a line with it.

Step 4: Document Lawful Ownership (Do This Now)

For each covered firearm, record and store:

- Make and model
- Serial number
- Current configuration and features
- Acquisition date
- Proof of purchase: receipt, bill of sale, or transfer record
- A photo of the firearm

Grandfather protection turns on showing you owned the firearm in time. Dated records are your paperwork insurance. Keep copies somewhere protected from fire and water.

Step 5: Set a Simple Tracking Routine

- Bookmark the federal bill on Congress.gov
- Check your state legislature site once each quarter
- Re-verify reciprocity and magazine rules before any trip with a firearm
- Update this checklist whenever you buy, sell, or modify a covered firearm

Primary Sources

H.R. 3115 (House): [congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/3115](https://www.congress.gov/bills/119/house-bills/3115)

S. 1531 (Senate): [congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/senate-bill/1531](https://www.congress.gov/bills/119/senate-bills/1531)

Your state legislature: _____

This checklist is general information, not legal advice. Firearms laws change frequently and vary by state and locality. Before acting, consult a licensed firearms attorney in your jurisdiction.