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## Florida's Ludicrous Gun "Against-Registration" Law<sup>1</sup>

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In Florida, there is no legal requirement to register firearms. The legislature's explanation for this stretches credulity:

790.335 Prohibition of registration of firearms; electronic records

1. The right of individuals to keep and bear arms is guaranteed under both the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution\* and s. 8, Art. I of the State Constitution.
2. A list, record, or registry of legally owned firearms or law-abiding firearm owners is not a law enforcement tool and can become an instrument for profiling, harassing, or abusing law-abiding citizens based on their choice to own a firearm and exercise their Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms as guaranteed under the United States Constitution. Further, such a list, record, or registry has the potential to fall into the wrong hands and become a shopping list for thieves."

Guess we'd better re-think automobile registration, lest car thieves take an interest in our SUVs.

*\*Editor's Note: here is what former Chief Justice Warren Burger had to say about a personal constitutional right to bear arms: "The Gun Lobby's interpretation of the Second Amendment is one of the greatest pieces of fraud, I repeat the word fraud, on the American People by special interest groups that I have ever seen in my lifetime. The real purpose of the Second Amendment was to ensure that state armies – the militia – would be maintained for the defense of the state. The very language of the Second Amendment refutes any argument that it was intended to guarantee every citizen an unfettered right to any kind of weapon he or she desires."*

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<sup>1</sup> *The Delray Democrat*, May 2022, page 7.