

## **FlaglerLive.com: There But For the Grace of Glock Goes Florida: Arizona's Vigilante Gun Culture (Extracted wording focusing on guns in Florida)**

January 11, 2011

Mayors Against Illegal Guns last September released a report analyzing the influence of states with lax gun control laws on crime and violence in other states. As The Times editorialized then, "More than half the guns recovered in out-of-state crimes last year were supplied by Georgia, Florida, Texas, Virginia and six other states where weak laws make it easy for gun traffickers and other criminals to obtain weapons. Weak gun laws also put a state's own citizens at risk. There were nearly 60 percent more gun murders in the 10 states where exports were highest than in the states with low export rates — and nearly three times as many fatal shootings of law enforcement officers."

The study's findings about Florida:

- Florida has the 29th highest rate of crime gun exports
- Florida exports 14.2 guns per inhabitant per year, slightly above the national average
- 27.3% of Florida's guns have a short "time-to-crime," meaning that Florida is a crime gun trafficking state, also slightly above the national average
- Florida is a net importer of crime guns, importing about 115 more crime guns than exported
- Florida has a very weak set of laws to battle crime guns, meeting only two of the 10 suggested laws

Florida's gun laws may be about to get weaker. Florida Senator Greg Evers is sponsoring legislation that would vastly weaken concealed weapons regulations, including allow the carrying of concealed weapons on college campuses by students and faculty and wherever they park their car, campus parking lots included. Floridians, currently prohibited from buying guns in other states, would no longer face that restriction.

Read article in its entirety at <http://flaglerlive.com/16454/arizona-florida-guns>