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Gun Control

The rise in the number of mass shootings has led to a debate on the place of guns in modern society (O'Brien et al. 1). Calls have come from many quarters to have the number of weapons possessed by civilians regulated. However, those who are against the call argue that vehicle accidents result to as many deaths and there have never been calls to ban them. So where is the problem and where does the solution lie? The paper will look at the problems and solutions for gun control.

Gun control is the practice of having legal restrictions on arms with the aim of protecting the civil society. Every nation has the authority to control the possession and use of firearms within its borders. American culture involves guns (Lott 1). Americans believe in universal arms bearing where there are no restrictions against the ownership, possession, and use of guns depending on the socioeconomic status. Individuals of all classes are allowed to maintain guns for defense and safety. The Second Amendment affirms it by noting that an individual's right to bear arms shall not be infringed (Blocher and Miller 296). The Supreme Court held that the imposition of gun control would rob the citizens the right to defend their homes and liberties. It implies that there are no restrictions barring individuals from holding firearms based on mental illnesses, age, criminal activities, manner, and place. The lack of control puts the lives of the majority of the civilians at risk from criminals and mentally ill individuals.

The solution lies in the imposition of gun control where the Second Amendment needs to be reversed. The amendment restricts the state government from passing gun control laws, which contradicts with their constitutional mandate. The state and federal governments need to have the authority to impose limitations on the ownership and use of firearms. Mentally sick individuals and those with a criminal history will be barred from owning guns (Barry et al. para 8). Gun control ensures that firearms and ammo do not fall in the wrong hands (Underwood para 1).

In conclusion, gun control needs to be implemented to prevent wrong individuals from possessing firearms. The state and federal governments need to have the power to determine gun possession and usage. It can only be done by having a review of the Second Amendment.

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