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Proposition 63 on California's November ballot would drastically change and limit how ammunition can be acquired in California. If passed, Prop 63 will impose logistical obstacles and cost prohibitive restrictions on acquiring ammunition that will have substantial and far reaching effects on recreational and competitive shooters.

Prop 63 would require all ammunition sales to be done through a licensed ammunition vendor in a face-to-face setting, so shooters will no longer be able to have ammunition shipped directly to them or to a location that is convenient for them to pick it up, unless there is a licensed ammunition vendor present.

Even if you find a licensed vendor to process the transfer, ammunition transfer costs will rise considerably under Prop 63, as is the case whenever a middleman is involved.

Prop 63 would require anyone wanting to purchase ammunition to first apply and qualify for authorization from the State, which would require paying up to a \$50 fee and waiting up to 30 days for the application to be processed every four years.

Even if the potential 30-day delay does not disrupt a shooter's training or competition, there is always the risk that the State could revoke the shooter's authorization by mistake, prohibiting the shooter from obtaining ammunition until things get cleared up.

While shooters may be able to avoid all of this by having ammunition shipped to a "target facility that holds a business or other regulatory license," the ammunition must remain on the premises of the target facility. If the shooter wants to leave the facility with the ammunition, the transfer must first be processed by a licensed ammunition vendor, along with a background check and registration.

Because Prop 63 prohibits California residents from acquiring ammunition from outside of the state and bring it back to California, out-of-state purchases are not an option. This also means that any ammunition acquired at and leftover from an out-of-state tournament would either have to be left there or transferred through a licensed ammunition vendor in California.

How Prop 63 would affect the availability or cost of ammunition in California cannot be predicted with any certainty, except for it being negative all around.

The increases in ammunition prices won't be the only money out of shooters' pockets, the Legislative Analyst's Office estimates that Prop 63 will cost California taxpayers tens of millions of dollars annually.

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The Coalition for Civil Liberties is committed to stopping Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom's statewide ballot proposal which does nothing to stop terrorists and criminals who have shown us that they pay no attention to the rule of law.