
Subject: RE: AGO Opinion assistance - export of "large capacity magazines"

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To: Shewmake, Sen. Sharon <Sharon.Shewmake@leg.wa.gov>
Subject: AGO Opinion assistance - export of "large capacity magazines"

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Hello Senator Shewmake,

I am a small business owner in Lynden, born and raised right here in Whatcom County. My business [REDACTED] assists in doing all of the forms and filings required to legally move firearms between Canada and the United States. As you can imagine it's quite complex in today's regulatory environment between the two countries.

Canada has very different gun laws than the United States, and Washington state. In some ways they are more restrictive, and in other ways, less restrictive. One example of this is that Washington's recently passed firearm magazine capacity restrictions make no exemption for "rimfire" (eg. small .22 caliber) ammunition. Canada, on the other hand, allows rimfire magazine capacities well in excess of the 10-rd. limit imposed by Washington state.

As such we have various customers (licensed manufacturers and dealers in Canada) that wish to import Canadian-legal rimfire magazines from us (e.g. a 15-rd. 22 caliber magazine for a bolt action (not semi-automatic) rifle). Like [this one \(link here\)](#).

In such a case we (a Federal Firearms Licensee ("FFL")) would not be selling or shipping within Washington State. Rather, we would be selling such magazine(s) for export, outside of Washington territory.

I understand that the office of the Attorney General will provide "[Attorney General Opinions](#)" to legislators, and I would like to request your assistance as a constituent, in getting an opinion from AG as to whether such a transaction would be lawful under Washington law.

Is this something you would be willing and able to assist with? My cell phone # is [REDACTED].

Thank you,

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Founder & President
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