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# H. R. 3125

To protect the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2003

Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. GOODE, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. OTTER, and Mr. NORWOOD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

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# A BILL

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Constitution.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-  
2       tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Right to Keep and  
5       Bear Arms Act of 2003”.

6       **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress finds that—

8                   (1) over the past decade, the United Nations  
9       has demonstrated a consistent animus to the Second

1       Amendment to the United States Constitution and  
2       to the right to keep and bear arms;

3               (2) in June, 2003, the United Nations spon-  
4       sored a “Week of Action Against Small Arms”;

5               (3) French President Jacques Chirac and the  
6       socialist president of Brazil, Luiz Lula da Silva,  
7       both advocate the imposition of a United Nations  
8       tax on firearms for various utopian purposes;

9               (4) 2,000,000 largely unarmed people are killed  
10      yearly by oppressive genocidal governments through-  
11      out the world; and

12               (5) ironically, at the same time the United Na-  
13      tions was working to prohibit Americans from exer-  
14      cising their Second Amendment rights to defend  
15      themselves, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and  
16      Firearms was called to investigate the illegal posses-  
17      sion of submachine guns by bodyguards to Secretary  
18      General of the United Nations Kofi Annan.

19 **SEC. 3. RESTRICTION ON FUNDS.**

20       No funds appropriated pursuant to any provision of  
21      law may be used for the promotion of any agreement, trea-  
22      ty, conference, document, or other action by the United  
23      Nations, or any instrumentality thereof, which advocates  
24      the taxation of firearms or any other measure which would

1 constitute any abrogation of rights under the Second  
2 Amendment to the United States Constitution.

3 **SEC. 4. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

4 It is the sense of the Congress that proposals to tax  
5 or otherwise limit rights under the Second Amendment to  
6 the United States Constitution are reprehensible and de-  
7 serving of condemnation.

8 **SEC. 5. DEFINITION.**

9 For purposes of this Act, the term “promotion”  
10 means any action undertaken by any official of the United  
11 States Government to advance the adoption, by the United  
12 States or any other country, of any agreement or treaty  
13 referred to in section 3, or to support any conference, doc-  
14 ument, or other action referred to in section 3, including,  
15 but not limited to, signing any such written instrument  
16 by the United States.

