

Statement from Senator Kavanagh on Judiciary Committee Advancing Extreme Risk Protection Orders Legislation

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(Albany, NY) — Today, the Senate Judiciary Committee voted to advance S7133A, a commonsense gun violence prevention bill sponsored by Senators Brian Kavanagh and Brad Hoylman that would create "Extreme Risk Protection Orders" (ERPO), and referred the bill to the Codes Committee.

After repeated refusals by Senate Republicans to consider this and other gun violence prevention measures on the Floor, the committee **held a vote on the ERPO bill** in response to Senator Kavanagh's "motion for committee consideration," as required by the Senate rules. An unofficial, preliminary tally of the vote shows that of the 12 Republican members of the Judiciary Committee, three voted against moving the bill, one was absent, and the remainder voted to advance the bill. All 11 Democratic members of the committee voted to advance the bill, making the total vote 19-3 in favor.

Senator Kavanagh released the following statement:

"Today we took a big step forward in the fight to strengthen New York's gun laws and save lives across our state.

"As tragedies like the shootings in Santa Fe, Texas and Parkland, Florida remind us, no community is immune to gun violence — and that includes New York. Every year, more than 900 of our fellow New Yorkers are killed by guns, and many more are injured. If we want to save lives, we need to enact stronger gun laws.

"After months of Republican inaction on the issue of ERPOs, today's vote of the Judiciary Committee was the first time Republican Senators have taken a public position on this bill — and the majority of Republican members made the right choice.

"But our work is not finished. If we are serious about savings lives, we need the bill to advance from the Codes Committee to a vote of the full Senate.

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2017-S7133A

- Introduced
- o In Committee Assembly
 - o In Committee Senate
- o On Floor Calendar Assembly
 - On Floor Calendar Senate
- o Passed Assembly
 - Passed Senate
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- Signed By Governor

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Establishes extreme risk protection orders as a court-issued order of protection prohibiting a person from purchasing, possessing or attempting to purchase or possess a firearm, rifle or shotgun

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