

House passes gun safety bill, sending measure to Biden's desk

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Legislation calls for enhancing background checks for gun purchasers between the age of 18 and 21, closes the so-called boyfriend loophole, creates a federal offense for straw purchases or trafficking and clarifies the definition of a licensed firearm dealer.

WASHINGTON, DC - The House passed a gun safety bill on Friday, sending the measure to President Biden's desk and marking the first time in nearly 30 years Congress has approved major legislation to combat gun violence.

The bill, dubbed the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, passed in a 234-193 vote. Fourteen Republicans voted with Democrats in supporting the measure.

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