

Calif. gun-control bill headed for fall ballot

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Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsom, the architect of an omnibus gun-control initiative to require background checks for ammunition, said Thursday that the campaign has collected enough signatures to qualify for the fall ballot.

Newsom planned to submit roughly 600,000 signatures for his "Safety for All," initiative on Friday, far more than the required 365,000.

"I feel resolved to move forward. The voters I think are ahead of a lot of elected officials of all political stripes," Newsom said of taking the issue to the ballot. "We have a chance to do something that's permanent, that can't be watered down, and send a very potent and powerful message to the National Rifle Association that we think will resonate across the country."

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