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Today's action regarding background checks is well-meaning, but ultimately ineffective.

The proposed actions do nothing to make useful information more available to private individuals.

Many, if not most, private sellers want to do background checks. Oftentimes, the reason they do not is because under the current system, their only recourse is to physically go to a licensed dealer and pay the dealer a fee to do the check. This is costly and burdensome. We need to change this, and make NICS information more accessible to private citizens. We must shed light on those who seek to operate under the cover of darkness. Further scrutiny of law-abiding people will not stop criminals. The limited ATF and FBI resources should be spent catching actual criminals rather than scrutinizing law-abiding citizens.

Making NICS information more accessible to private individuals would be a force multiplier and have a meaningful impact in reducing crime.

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