

*Tranel thinks the federal government should be able to seize guns from Montanans, even those used for hunting, sport-shooting, and self-defense.*

## **Tranel Supports Universal Background Checks And Red Flag Laws**

**In June 2022, Tranel Said She Would Support Legislation That Made It Harder For Dangerous People To Buy A Gun, Such As Universal Background Checks And Red Flag Laws.** “We don't have to choose between supporting the Second Amendment and common sense laws to reduce gun violence,” Tranel said in a statement Tuesday. “In Congress, I would support legislation that makes it harder for dangerous people to buy a gun, such as universal criminal background checks and red flag laws.” (Holly Michels, Sam Wilson, and Tom Kuglin, “Candidates In Western House Race Discuss Firearms Policy,” [Independent Record](#), 6/1/22)

- **Red Flag Laws, Are State Laws That Allow Law Enforcement – With A Court Order – To Temporarily Seize Guns From Someone Considered A Danger To Themselves Or Others.** “Red flag laws, or Extreme Risk Protection Orders, are state laws that allow law enforcement – with a court order – to temporarily seize guns from someone considered a danger to themselves or others.” (Erin Doherty, “How Red Flag Gun Control Laws Work,” [Axios](#), 5/26/22)
- **“Most Requests Come From Family Members Who Are Fearful Of A Loved One Showing Warning Signs Of Violence.”** (Erin Doherty, “How Red Flag Gun Control Laws Work,” [Axios](#), 5/26/22)
- **If A Judge Deems An Individual Dangerous, Law Enforcement Is Permitted To Take Away All Of The Individuals’ Firearms For A Period Of Time, During Which The Individual Is Not Allowed To Buy Or Sell Guns.** “If a judge deems an individual dangerous, law enforcement is permitted to take away all of the individuals' firearms for a period of time, during which the individual is also not allowed to buy or sell guns, per WAMU.” (Erin Doherty, “How Red Flag Gun Control Laws Work,” [Axios](#), 5/26/22)
- **The Red Flag Emergency Order Can Be Issued Without The Gun Owner Present.** “There are two types of orders: emergency, or ex parte, orders and final orders, according to the Giffords Law Center, a research organization that advocates for more restrictive gun control measures. The emergency order can be issued without the gun owner present during the court hearing, Blocher said. The order is usually short term and lasts a week or two. Another hearing then happens with the gun owner present to make their case. Based on the judge's ruling at the second hearing, someone's gun can be removed for a longer duration. The final order lasts for a year in most states. At that point, it can either expire or be renewed. Gun owners can also request hearings to have their firearms returned. How often they can petition the court depends on the state the individual lives in.” (Aliza Chasan, “What Are Red Flag Laws — And Do They Work In Preventing Gun Violence?” [CBS News](#), 6/30/24)

## **Tranel Supports Closing The Gun Show Loophole And Removing Immunity From Gun Manufacturers**

**On May 25, 2022, Tranel Called On The State’s Congressional Delegation To Support Legislation That Closed The Gun Show Loophole And Removed Immunity From Gun Manufacturers.** “Parents who have lost their children deserve more than thoughts and prayers. I call on Montana’s congressional delegation to take action, and support common sense legislation that closes the gun show loophole and removes immunity from gun manufacturers. #mtpol” (Monica Tranel, [Twitter](#), 5/25/22)

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Today my daughter graduates from kindergarten. Watching her, I can't fathom the pain of the parents who have lost children – Sandy Hook, Parkland, and now Uvalde. My children are in schools; my family includes teachers. We are long past saying there is nothing we can do.

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