

Third Way Statement on the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017

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WASHINGTON—Third Way Vice President for Social Policy & Politics Lanae Erickson Hatafsky issued the following statement on the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017.

Earlier this week, the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee advanced the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017, on a party line vote, and it is expected to receive a floor vote soon. The bill would mandate nationwide reciprocity for concealed carry handgun permits, dangerously undermining state firearm safety laws by forcing them to recognize out-of-state permits, regardless of their own rules. Dozens of states reasonably prohibit domestic abusers, stalkers, and violent convicted criminals from receiving a concealed carry permit. We oppose this disastrous bill that if passed into law would create an alarming race to the bottom in willful disregard for our state laws.