

(HB1851)

GOVERNOR'S VETO

March 30, 2009

TO THE VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1851

Pursuant to Article V, Section 6, of the Constitution of Virginia, I veto House Bill 1851, which would create a new exemption to Virginia's one handgun a month law.

The new exemption would apply to active duty service members, whether Virginia residents or not. Because holders of valid Virginia concealed weapons permits are already able to purchase more than one handgun per month, House Bill 1851 only extends the ability to buy more than one handgun a month to nonresidents or those Virginians unable to obtain a concealed weapons permit.

Accordingly, I veto this bill.