TEDDY BEARS HAVE TO MEET CONSUMER HEALTH & SAFETY STANDARDS

1. At least four types of federal safety standards cover teddy bears: sharp edges and points, small parts, hazardous materials, and flammability.

2. In 2018, no recalls related to teddy bears were issued by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

3. Teddy bears killed one child in the United States in 2018. From 2016 to 2018, there were 43 toy-related deaths reported to the CPSC.

BUT GUNS DON’T!

1. There are no federal safety standards for the domestic manufacture of firearms.

2. No federal health and safety agency has the authority to recall defective guns or force changes in firearm design.

3. Guns killed 39,740 people in the United States in 2018, including 24,432 suicides, 13,958 homicides, and 458 fatal unintentional shootings. From 2016 to 2018, there were 118,171 gun-related deaths in the United States.

THE SOLUTION

End the gun industry’s unique and deadly exemption from federal health and safety standards. To learn more, visit the Violence Policy Center’s Campaign for Gun Industry Accountability at gunindustryaccountability.org

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