Dear Representative:

You may not have known that, buried in the NICS "reform" bill (H.R. 2640) which was enacted into law this past January, there was a section that strips combat veterans of their right to keep and bear arms if they sought counseling for delayed stress syndrome.

This pernicious Veterans Disarmament Act has had the effect of discouraging our returning soldiers from seeking the counseling and medical treatment they need. The Department of Justice had the good sense to require that no combat veteran could be declared mentally incompetent without due process, which means there must be court adjudication.

H.R. 5865 would amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to require court adjudication before any veteran is denied the right to possess a firearm. It's the right thing to do and I hope to see your name as a cosponsor of this important bill.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

