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2. Sen. Chuck Schumer's (D-NY) amendment to HR 2620 Gun Buyback Programs (Tabled 65 to 33 on 8/2/2001, Roll Call 267). To make available \$15 million for "gun buyback initiatives." See U.S. Const., amend. 2. **Yes**

3. HR 3162 Anti-Terrorism Authority (Passed 98 to 1 on 10/25/2001, Roll Call 313). Would create the "USA Patriot Act," giving law enforcement and intelligence agencies vast new powers to combat terrorism. See U.S. Const., amend. 4. **Yes**

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