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New Arizona Law Protects Second Amendment From Federal Overreach



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On April 6, Arizona Republican Governor Doug Ducey signed H.B. 2111, aka the Second Amendment Freedom Act, which states, “An act, law, treaty, order, rule or regulation of the United States Government that violates Amendment II of the Constitution of the United States is null, void and unenforceable in this state.”

Biden is being encouraged by anti-Second Amendment forces to act against firearm ownership in the wake of shooting incidents in Georgia and Colorado in March. The Arizona Legislature and Governor Ducey are attempting to block those coming actions and any other unconstitutional, anti-Second Amendment measures from the federal government.

The sponsor of the legislation is State Representative Leo Biasiucci, a Republican. According to Biasiucci, the act is meant to protect law-abiding gun owners in Arizona from federal overreach.

“If the federal government does anything that tries to infringe on our second amendment in the State of Arizona, we’re not going to comply,” Biasiucci said. “I was voted into office to protect our constitution. The Biden administration was clear that they want to ban AR-15s, high capacity magazines, and we don’t think that’s right. Our Arizona gun laws are strong and we believe that law-abiding gun owners have the right to bear arms.”

Ducey claimed that the new law will protect Arizona gun owners from knee-jerk reactions in Washington, D.C. “I think that whenever there are these mass shootings we start talking about laws that simply won’t fix the problem,” Ducey said. “There is a lot of discussion out of Washington about Congressional action around the Second Amendment and this law was simply to protect the rights we already enjoy in Arizona.”

Others were not so positive about the new law. Anti-Second Amendment group Moms Demand Action released a statement calling the new bill “dangerous” and “unconstitutional.”

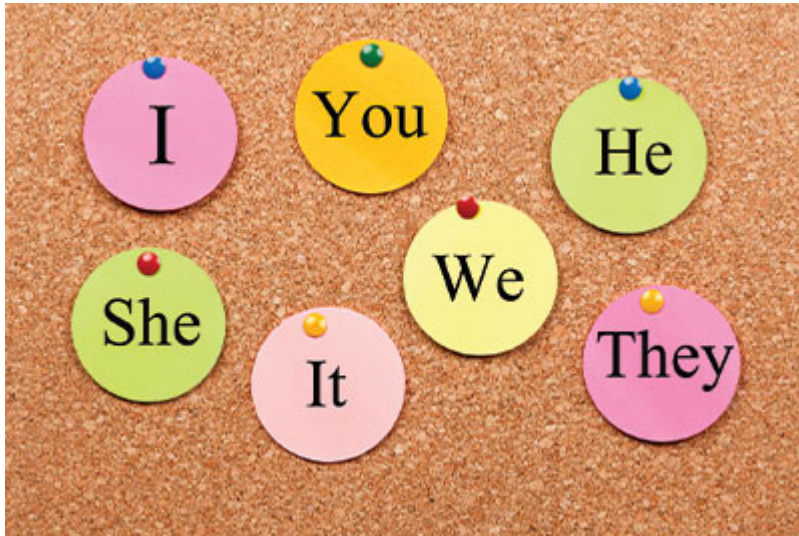


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By signing the Second Amendment Freedom Act, Arizona becomes the fifth state to declare itself a so-called Second Amendment Sanctuary, joining Alaska, Idaho, Kansas, and Wyoming, which all have similar laws on their books.

Neopronouns Are Newest Thing Among the Totally Self-centered



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If you want to know what happens when you don't learn after age two that the world doesn't completely revolve around you, look no further than "neopronouns." The *New York Times* provides a guide on the matter and asks, "Are you a person, place or thing?" before presenting neopronoun examples such as "bun/bunself," "kitten/kittenself," and "prin/cess/princessself."

As commentator Andrea Widburg explained in an April 12 article at American Thinker, "A few years ago, we all used to laugh at the creative pronouns that so-called 'non-binary' people concocted to avoid both human biology and the traditional He/Him or She/Her pronouns. They pluralized themselves ('My pronouns are They/Them') or substituted silly consonants in place of actual letters ('My pronouns are Ze/Zir or Xe/Xir')."

"Now, though, little things like 'Ze went to the store' or 'Give xir the milk' seem sweetly old-fashioned," Widburgself continues. As the *Times* tells us in an April 8 article, no doubt with a straight face to balance its crooked thinking, "A neopronoun can be a word created to serve as pronoun without expressing gender, like 'ze' and 'zir.' A neopronoun can also be a so-called 'noun-self pronoun,' in which a pre-existing word is drafted into use as a pronoun. Noun-self pronouns can refer to animals — so your pronouns can be 'bun/bunself' and 'kitten/kittenself.' Others refer to fantasy characters — 'vamp/vampself,' 'prin/cess/princessself,' 'fae/faer/faeself' — or even just common slang, like 'Innit/Innits/Innitself.'"

While this is comical, it's far from a joke to some people. "Many neopronoun users are dead serious, and are also part of online communities that are quick to react swiftly to offenses," the *Times* further reports. "They are deeply versed in the style and mores of contemporary identity politics conversations."

As to this phenomenon's cause, Widburg writes, this "is what happens when people become so



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extraordinarily self-centered that they believe that the entire English language revolves around them.”

Australian Court: Google Guilty of Misleading Users About Private Data



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In an April 16 ruling, Australia’s Federal Court found Google guilty of misleading customers about its location-data collection on Android phones.

Since 2019, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has been pursuing legal action against Google for its “misleading conduct.”

According to the ACCC, Google has been breaching Australian consumer law since at least January 2017, when it gave users the false impression that they were opting out of data collection when the “location history” setting was switched off.

Google, the court maintained, did not adequately disclose to customers that both the “location history” and “web & app activity” settings had to be switched off for customers to keep their personal data from being collected, kept, and used by the tech giant.

Federal Court Judge Justice Thomas Thawley stated that Google’s actions “would not have misled all reasonable users,” but would have likely misled some reasonable users.

Google disagreed with the final ruling and signaled that it was looking into the possibility of an appeal. ACCC, meanwhile, is seeking for court orders and financial penalties against Google to be determined later.

“The reality is most people have little to no idea on how much of their data is being used by Google and online platforms,” Peter Lewis, director at the Australia Institute Center for Responsible Technology, said April 16. Lewis said it takes an average of 74 minutes to read most terms and conditions, and they are written so that comprehension requires a university education.

As The New American reported April 8, iPhone-maker Apple made a deal with Google that kept the search giant’s dominance of the market secure from viable competition — a deal under scrutiny by the U.S. Justice Department as part of an antitrust lawsuit joined by 11 states.



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While Google has made investments in several technologies, such as Android phones, and owns important web platforms such as YouTube, it is the tech giant's flagship search engine that remains its biggest cash cow. And in the realm of search engines, Google's dominance is near total.

Denmark Halts Use of AstraZeneca Vaccine Over Blood-clot Fears



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The Danish Health Authority announced on April 14 that it will discontinue the use of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine over a "known risk of severe side effects" associated with the drug. The move comes despite the European Medicines Agency (EMA), the European Union bureaucracy that oversees medicines for the bloc of nations, giving its tentative blessing to the vaccine in March.

The AstraZeneca vaccine has been tangentially linked to cases of a rare but serious blood-clotting condition.

Denmark is the first nation to announce a complete ban on the vaccine, which was developed in concert with the University of Oxford in the U.K. After the EMA said that the benefits of the vaccine far outweighed the risks, most countries began redistributing the AstraZeneca vaccine after briefly stopping.

Several nations, including Denmark, stopped administering the AstraZeneca vaccine in March because of reports of serious cases of blood clotting in some individuals, with at least three deaths reported — one in Denmark. Going forward, Denmark will utilize the Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna offerings. The 150,000 Danes who received the first dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine will get their second doses with other vaccines, even though all three vaccines are experimental and mixing and matching the vaccines is even more experimental.

Soren Brostrom, head of the Danish Health Authority, said the "difficult decision" was made based on the country currently having the virus under relative control and because other vaccines are available. "The upcoming target groups for vaccination are less likely to become severely ill from Covid," Brostrom said. "We must weigh this against the fact that we now have a known risk of severe adverse effects from vaccination with AstraZeneca, even if the risk in absolute terms is slight."



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Most of Denmark's nearly 900,000 vaccination recipients (nearly 77 percent) were given the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine, with 7.8 percent receiving the Moderna vaccine. The AstraZeneca vaccine was administered to 15.3 percent of Danes who received the shot.

Biden Targets “White Conservatives” and Evangelicals for COVID Shots



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In response to reluctance to take the experimental COVID-19 shots, the Biden administration is rolling out vast new propaganda campaigns targeting “white conservative communities,” evangelical Christians, black Americans, and other “communities.”

Gimmicks including peddling the controversial pharmaceuticals through sports, celebrities, TV shows, pastors, and music are being pursued. Already, billions of federal dollars have been pledged to market the government-backed shots as part of an escalating war on “vaccine hesitancy.”

“We’re looking for a range of creative ways to get directly connected to white conservative communities,” Biden spokesperson Jen Psaki said in an April 12 White House press briefing. “We won’t always be the best messengers, but we’re still trying to meet people where they are but also empower local organizations.”

Among those efforts is launching what Psaki described as a “Community Corps” program to “provide fact-based messages into the hands of local messengers.” That includes working with more than 4,000 organizations, including groups in conservative states where much of the population is resisting the propaganda, to peddle the narrative.

“We’re also investing \$3 billion to states and community-based organizations to strengthen vaccine confidence in the highest-risk and hardest-hit communities,” Psaki said. “And often, people think of that as just black and brown communities, and that is not. As you’ve noted, that is also conservative communities, white evangelicals. It’s a range of communities around the country.”

The most effective tools for getting those hesitant communities to roll up their sleeves, Psaki continued, include working with “faith-based organizations,” such as churches and ministries, to promote the message. That is the same approach that was pursued in the late 1930s and early 1940s by such



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eugenics luminaries as Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger, who hired black ministers for the “Negro Project” to promote her sinister agenda in black communities.

Already, many “faith leaders” have been brought on board. From the Vatican to evangelical figures such as Franklin Graham and John Hagee, numerous prominent Christian leaders have publicly jumped on the bandwagon.

As part of the effort to target “white conservative communities,” the Biden administration is partnering with a number of entertainment providers. “We’re also looking for ... we’ve run PSAs on *The Deadliest Catch*,” said Psaki. “We’re engaged with NASCAR and Country Music TV.”

Psaki’s statements at the aforementioned press briefing were in response to questions about a *New York Times* propaganda piece demonizing Mississippi and other largely rural, conservative-leaning states for having a “hard time getting folks vaccinated,” as the questioner put it. “They’re at 34 percent vaccination rate,” complained the reporter, citing Ohio and Oklahoma while warning that this “impacts herd immunity.”

According to the *Times* piece, the reliably Republican state has struggled to convince black Mississippians — who make up almost 40 percent of the state’s population — and white conservatives to take the shots. The *Times* report cited a survey that found black Americans were even more skeptical of the vaccines than other ethnic groups in the United States. Pathetic propaganda videos such as a rap song produced with help from authorities in New York probably did not help.

Indeed, even the establishment’s biased polls show massive distrust of the vaccine programs. According to the Monmouth University Polling Institute, almost half of Republicans say they will never get the COVID-19 “vaccine.” Almost a fourth of Independents will also refuse the shot, the data show. Only among Democrats were the numbers high, with more than two-thirds of Democratic adults reporting that they had received at least one shot so far.

The U.S. Constitution does not authorize any vaccine programs, propaganda campaigns to promote those programs, “public-health” schemes, or any of the increasingly totalitarian responses to the COVID pandemic. That means, as far as the federal government is concerned, all of this is unconstitutional and therefore illegal.

Using government propaganda and government-backed “faith leaders” to convince Americans to make one-size-fits-all medical decisions is also dangerous. Combined with the fact that informed consent is almost entirely lacking in this lawless campaign, it is clear that there is a major problem. Those responsible for breaking the law must be held accountable.



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