

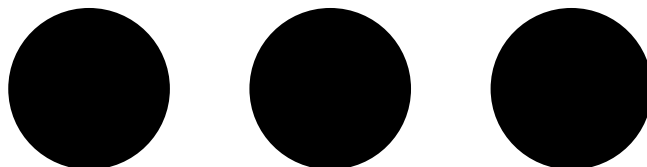


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## California Gun Control Foiled Again

For one week, law-abiding Californians were prohibited from carrying concealed under the state's *Bruen*-defying law, Senate Bill 2 (SB2). [On Monday there were relieved of that infringement](#) and will remain free to carry nearly everywhere in the Golden State until the issue is finally resolved in April.

*The New American* reported in late December that a U.S. District Court in California [viscerated SB2](#) (which tried to expand the "sensitive places" comment in *Bruen* to include virtually the entire state). Wrote Judge Cormac Carney:



SB2's coverage is sweeping, repugnant to the Second Amendment, and openly defiant of the Supreme Court....

SB2 turns nearly every public place in California into a "sensitive place", effectively abolishing the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding and exceptionally qualified citizens to be armed and to defend themselves in public.

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He stopped the law from becoming effective because "the challenged SB2 provisions constitutionally deprive this group of their constitutional right to carry a handgun in public for self-defense."

California's anti-gun, anti-Second Amendment, and anti-*Bruen* Attorney General Rob Bonta promised that he would appeal, because, he said, "tens of millions of Californians will face a heightened risk of gun violence" if SB2 was quashed.

This, of course, is a lie of the first order. After a three-judge panel on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals reversed Bonta's successful appeal on Monday, Kostas Moros, a lawyer representing the California Pistol and Rifle Association, said:

The right to carry in California was unconstitutionally eliminated for almost a week.

We are relieved the status quo has been restored, and Californians with CCW permits, who are among the most law-abiding people there are, can resume carrying as they have for years.

John Lott, head of the Crime Prevention Research Center, has repeatedly shown that concealed-carry citizens are among the most law-abiding of any group in the country, with gun-related violations at one-



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twelfth that of police officers!

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