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2. Careless use of firearms which has resulted in the injury or death of any person.
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**HB2527 • CH126 • §13-3118 • P41, P219.** Amends the preemption statute by adding "transfer" to the list of firearm activities only the state legislature is authorized to control, to prevent local authorities from taking any steps in that regard. This is important because former NY mayor Bloomberg has interfered with the transfer of firearms in other states through his out-of-state political action, and has announced similar plans for Arizona because, as he has stated, he has been thwarted from such activity at the federal level.

**SB1189 • CH228 • §13-907 • P53, 201.** If a person's judgment of guilt is set aside under proper conditions, "the person's right to possess a gun or firearm is restored." This does not apply if the person was convicted of a serious offense as defined under §13-706 (lengthy list of serious felonies), and with certain time restrictions of up to 10 years under §§13-905 and 13-906. Other conditions apply, determined by the court and the nature of the offense. Although this is a step in the right direction of civil-rights restoration, the language used here is sloppy, because "gun" is not defined in Arizona law, the use of "or" adds confusion, and the singular terms imply a very limited restoration of rights.

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