

Kennedy Introduces a Bill To Limit Use of Firearms

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (AP) — Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, introduced a bill Wednesday to require the registration of firearms and the licensing of gun owners.

His bill would also ban the manufacture, sale, import and possession of handguns of the kind commonly used in holdups and other crimes.

Mr. Kennedy said that the number of firearms in civilian hands was excessive and called for "an end to the violence and the killing guns cause."

A similar bill has been introduced in the House by Representative Emanuel Celler, Democrat of Brooklyn, who is chairman of the Judiciary Committee.