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Senate Republicans Issue Statement On Advancement of Firearm Waiting Period

SANTA FE—Tonight, Senate Democrats advanced House Bill 129 to impose a mandatory sevenday waiting period when purchasing a firearm. The bill was advanced on a vote of 23 -18 with all Senate Republicans voting against the measure.

"It was a disingenuous and demeaning debate tonight," said **Senator Crystal Brantley** (R-Elephant Butte). "Not only did Senate Democrats reject all three of our reasonable amendments, but they belittled the lived and real danger facing New Mexicans because of this law."

"Tonight was not about crime, suicide prevention, or any other pretense," added Senate Republican Leader, **Senator Greg Baca** (R-Belen). "This was about the removal of the constitutional rights of New Mexico. I pledge this—those who stood today and robbed the rights of our people will be held to account this November."

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