

To the Editor:

Semi-automatic firearms have been around for over 100 years, and are commonly used for self-defense, competition, and hunting. They are not “assault weapons.” “Assault weapons” are machine guns, which have been federally regulated since the 1930’s. It is false and misleading to call semi-autos “assault weapons,” and those who do are trying to scare the public into banning these common tools. And, New Jersey’s draconian gun laws already ban most of them anyway – so why is the NJ legislature trying to further restrict gun ownership with its recent package of 23 of gun ban bills?

Sincerely,