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Durbin, Schneider announce firearm safe storage legislation alongside Highland Park shooting survivors

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U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., and U.S. Rep. Brad Schneider, D-Highland Park, gathered with gun violence survivors and local politicians at Highland Park City Hall on Friday to announce their new federal legislation, the SECURE Firearms Storage Act, geared at reducing the amount of stolen firearms used to commit violence.

Speaking in a packed room with survivors and members of area chapters of Moms Demand Action, Students Demand Action and the Newtown Action Alliance, Durbin implored his legislative colleagues to move the legislation forward, “to have some sanity” when it comes to guns in America.

Schneider, who introduced the bill Thursday in the House, explained the legislation’s aim is to reduce stolen guns from federally licensed firearm dealers by requiring all firearms to be securely stored when dealers are not open.

Gavin Good's full report on the SECURE Act can be read on the Chicago Tribune.