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Senator Craig Brandt Chastises Senate Democrats for Delaying Crime Reform

Senate Judiciary to take up Second Amendment infringement before bills targeting career criminals

SANTA FE—With only eight days left in the 2024 Legislative Session, several substantive, governor-backed, crime-fighting pieces of legislation have yet to be scheduled in the Senate Judiciary Committee. Of primary concern is Senate Bill 102. Supported by the Department of Public Safety, the State Police, several District Attorneys, and the Attorney General, the bill would expand the scope of the state's racketeering act to give prosecutors a key tool to keep career criminals behind bars.

Senate Republican Whip, **Senator Craig Brandt** (R-Rio Rancho), issued the following statement regarding the stalled measure:

"It is shameful that Senate Democrats would choose to take up unconstitutional measures while good legislation targeting career criminals languishes on the vine. We cannot continue to waste valuable time on bills that needlessly go after those already abiding by the law. Crime is destroying our state and the people's faith in our ability to act is rapidly fading."

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