

Joint Committee on Judiciary
Room 2500, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106

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- **SB 603 AN ACT CONCERNING AMMUNITION CODING**
- **SB 607 AN ACT CONCERNING THE IDENTIFICATION OF CERTAIN FIREARMS AND THE CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS.**

Dear Members of the Environment committee:

We would like to ask that you **OPPOSE** Senate bills 603 & 607. These bills will do nothing to prevent crime, and will only cause more difficulty to law abiding owners of firearms.

This technology has not been shown to be useful or even reliable. It is not the quick fix that many would have you believe. In fact, it only causes harm to gun manufacturers who have an increased cost to produce guns if they are required to add microstamping, and ammunition manufacturers will have added costs in purchasing the technology for coding. These two bills will only succeed in making guns and ammunition more expensive for legal purchasers.

Criminals typically do not purchase guns or ammunition lawfully, by definition they are "criminals" and ignore the law. You can be assured that if these two bills are passed, they will be added to the list of laws that criminals ignore, and no crimes will be stopped or solved because of it.

Please **OPPOSE** 603 and 607.

Sincerely,
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