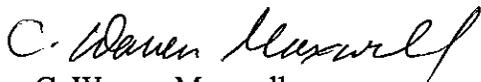


STATEMENT OF C. WARREN MAXWELL
DEPUTY CHIEF U.S. PROBATION OFFICER
IN SUPPORT OF RAISED BILL NO. 5550

AN ACT PROVIDING FEDERAL PROBATION OFFICERS WITH ACCESS TO FIREARM
DATA REGARDING PROBATIONERS

I am supporting this bill as it pertains to an issue of safety for federal probation officers. Currently, our counterparts in the State have access to this information. Federal probation officers supervise persons under pretrial release, and convicted felons on probation and supervised release. They are required to make unannounced home visits and are unarmed. It would help ensure officer safety to have access to firearm data so they know, prior to making an unannounced visit, whether the person they are visiting may be armed.

Thank you for your consideration of Raised Bill No. 5550.



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