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Please be advised that I strongly opposed HB 6656 as well as the other one hundred (100) plus bills that are targeted at legal and responsible gun owners.

First, the United States constitution as well as the Connecticut state constitution provides the citizens the right to bear arms. Are other constitutional rights required to have an insurance policy? I think not. Why, because it is a right not a privileged. The Constitution grants all people to be on equal ground not what their race, wealth status, etc. This law will make firearm ownership unaffordable to citizens that cannot afford an additional burden on their finances. Another case in point is If you get lay off from your job and you cannot afford insurance. What then?

Second, Insurance requirements are another means of registration. At the end of the day that means confiscation.

Third, am I suppose to carry the insurance policy and registration around when I conceal carry or go to the range?

Forth, I am curious to know how this proposed bill relates to vicarious liability, as you may or may not be aware CT is one on the few states that has vicarious liability. Under this bill would I now become liable for the damage done by a criminal if he stole and used my firearm in the commission of a crime?

Last, I would also like to add, that if you choose to support this bill, perhaps you should require those exercising their 1st amendment rights to also carry liability Insurance. As we are aware words are more powerful than any weapon known to man; It has been in existence since the creation of mankind and has been know to start wars, ruin friendships, ruin reputations, wreck homes , start national revolutions across the world and cause more hatred than any firearm in existence.

Sincerely ,

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