

Dear committee members,

I'm writing to let the committee members know that I oppose SB 1076 and respectfully request you all do the same. Unfortunately there is no law, or bill we could pass that guarantee tragedies like Sandy Hook or Columbine I would never occur again. Chicago and Philadelphia are 2 cities with the strictest gun laws in the nation. Yet they also leave the nation in handgun murders. From 1994 to 2004 there was a assault gun in place. Despite this according to the Uniform Crime Reports published by the FBI violent crime still rose. From the year 2005 to 2010 the number of guns on the street rose from approximately 200 million to a little over 300 million. During the same of time crime went down. Bills like SB 1076 only punish honest law abiding american citizens and turn some into criminals. I do believe there are areas in which we can improve upon our gun laws. When you look at Columbine, Sandy Hook, the movie theater in Colorado or the Gabby Gifford incidents. It appears all of the shooters had some psychological issues. Therefore I would suggest HIPPA be waived and the appropriate law enforcement agency doing the background check be allowed to check the individual's medical records for any possible psychological issues. I like to thank the committee members for their time and consideration in this matter.

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