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I am a longtime Connecticut resident and I fully support the Safe Storage Bill #6962 which will protect the lives of children who sadly die and are injured at an alarming rate from accidental discharge of firearms.

I also support the Domestic Violence prevention bills: 650 and 6848. Temporarily removing firearms from domestic abusers is just common sense.

The word "freedom" is often used by pro gun advocates in their opposition to laws that are proposed in the interest of keeping people safer. But it's important to realize that freedom, a cornerstone of American society, must always be balanced among the citizens of our country. Given this fundamental fact, it seems obvious that any citizen who is threatened with domestic abuse deserves the right to be granted protection by the state from violence and even death. And any individual who has broken domestic violence laws has forfeited his or her full range of freedom to possess firearms. Furthermore, freedom always has limitations which must be balanced with the safety of innocent children.

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