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**To:** JudTestimony  
**Subject:** In Favor of HB 7028

To the members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing to let you know I favor provisions in HB 7028 regarding strengthening our gun safety laws, specifically the provisions that would allow parole officers access to the firearms database, and requiring firearm permit holders to show their permit to law enforcement officers upon request.

Both these measures are common-sense ways to ensure that firearms stay out of the hands of dangerous people:

- It is relevant for parole officers, who are managing the transition of convicted people back to public life, to be able to check if that person has acquired a firearm, possibly through missing records in the background check database.
- Even more common-sense is the requirement that gun owners permitted to carry concealed firearms should show their permit upon the request of a law enforcement officer. How is a police officer supposed to know if someone carrying a gun is a “good guy” or a “bad buy” unless s/he can verify, on the spot, the person’s eligibility to carry a concealed firearm? We must carry licenses on our person to drive. It makes no less sense to do so for carrying a weapon designed for no other purpose than to kill or injure another person. Law enforcement must be able to ascertain instantly whether the owner is legally allowed to carry a firearm in public.

As the Supreme Court said, the right to bear arms is not unlimited, specifically with respect to public safety. These two measures are about protecting public safety, and should be passed into law.

Sincerely,

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