March 11, 2019

Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee –

I am writing to you as a mother of two children, as a middle school teacher, and as a very concerned American citizen. As a teacher, we regularly practice lockdown drills in our schools and students have accepted this as normal. As a parent, I am worried about gun safety and ask about proper storage of guns in other houses during play dates.

Here I would like to document my SUPPORT for the following bills:

1) HB-7218, AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS IN THE HOME (Ethan’s Law).

2) HB-7219, AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS.

3) HB-7223, AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF A PISTOL OR REVOLVER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE.

4) SB-60, AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESENTATION OF A CARRY PERMIT.

Here I would like to document my REJECTION of the following bills:

1) SB - 940, AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONS TO CARRY HANDGUNS IN STATE PARKS AND STATE FORESTS.

2) HB- 5870, AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSFER OF ASSUALT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

3) HB-5227, AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF FIREARMS BY MUNICIPALITIES.

As a resident of Waterford, it is my hope today that you will consider these bills and reflect on the impact it will have on our citizens and children. I hope that Connecticut will continue to be a leader in gun safety.

Thank you for your time and for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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