RE: Oppose Raised H.B. No. 7218 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS IN THE HOME.

Dear Legislators,

I oppose HB 7218. I urge you to oppose this bill.

Current law on the subject reads as follows: “The law prohibits people from storing any loaded firearm on their premises if they know or reasonably should know that a minor (someone under age 16) is likely to gain access to it without his or her parent's or guardian's permission, unless they: 1. keep the firearm in a securely locked box or other container or in a location that a reasonable person would believe to be secure or 2. carry the firearm on their person or close enough so that it can be readily retrieved (CGS § 29-37i).”

There is no need to amend this law. Simply, I view HB 7218 as unenforceable, unless something happens, in other words it will not and can not prevent anything, only serve to be punitive.

Thank you for your time. Please oppose this bill.

Sincerely yours,

John Walters