

Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary:

My name is Guthrie Dinda, I am from Lebanon.

I am testifying today in support of;

S.B. 940 AN ACT AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONS TO CARRY HANDGUNS IN STATE PARKS AND STATE FORESTS.

H.B. 5227 AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF FIREARMS BY MUNICIPALITIES.

H.B. 5870 AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

I'm oppose to;

S.B. No. 60 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESENTATION OF A CARRY PERMIT.

H.B. No. 7218 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS IN THE HOME.

H.B. No. 7219 AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS.

H.B. No. 7223 AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF A PISTOL OR REVOLVER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE.

The continual **infringement** of the Second Amendment does absolutely nothing to increase the safety of the general public. According to the Crime Prevention Research Center shooting incidents increase in areas of "gun free" zones. I believe we should be spending our dollars on education and proper handling of firearms. We even have a line item in the budget for firearms education, and it never gets used. We cannot legislate "common sense", or prevent "bad" people from doing bad things. Lets not remove Constitutional rights in the attempt to make ourselves "safer". It's our job as Americans to protect ourselves and each other. Stripping rights will prevent us from accomplishing that task.

I urge you to favorably vote; S.B. 940, H.B. 5227, H.B. 5870 out of the Judiciary Committee and oppose; S.B. 60, H.B. 7218, H.B. 7219, H.B. 7223.

Sincerely,

Guthrie Dinda