

March 11, 2019

TO: Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, ranking members Kissel and Rebinbas and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary:

My name is Roslyn M. Kaplan, I am from Stamford. I am a member of Women on Watch, a local advocacy group.

I am testifying in support of **H.B. 7218**, An Act Concerning the Safe Storage of Firearms in the Home, **H.B. 7223** An Act Concerning the Safe Storage of Firearms in Vehicles, **H.B. 7219**, An Act Concerning Ghost Guns and **S.B. 60** An Act Concerning the Presentation of a Carry Permit.

I have always been of the opinion that the more guns in circulation, the more chances for people to be shot either accidentally or on purpose. It is only common sense that storing guns safely will prevent the horrible accidents where children get their hands on a gun and kill themselves, a family member or a friend by accident.

There is absolutely no reason to allow anyone to create a gun with a printer that has no serial number, and cannot be traced, registered or controlled in any way.

Just like we need a license to drive, or cut hair, or do a million other things in our society, we should require a license to own and operate a gun.

That license or permit should be carried at all times, like a drivers' license when you are operating a car, so that law enforcement can request to see it, if warranted.

Respectfully,

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