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Testimony on:

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.

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Judiciary Committee,

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

This bill is the “show your papers” bill is and every year we are forced to point out to this Committee that 4th amendment rights apply to everyone and every demographic. The marginalization of any group by removing their rights hurts all Americans. If ever there was an example of the “slippery slope” principle, this bill exemplifies it. There is simply no justification for stopping someone who is obeying the law and demanding that they show papers to prove that they obeying the law. As a society we don’t stand for this in any other context. We certainly don’t allow the police to profile and demand proof of citizenship, or make someone prove that they’re not a fugitive, etc. Due process is the cornerstone of American justice, and no segment of society deserves less. I urge you to **oppose** this S.B No. 60.

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This is another in a long line of reactionary responses to a tragedy that ignores the whole picture. This bill is unenforceable in anything but the punitive sense and ignores any preventative opportunities. The same groups that champion this bill fight tooth and nail to oppose gun safety programs that teach children to avoid guns that they might find. As a gun owner, I completely agree that there is a responsibility to assure that guns are properly attended to, especially regarding children. However, so many of my friends hunt and target shoot with their children. To be judged a criminal because we don’t adhere to some arbitrary state mandated procedure in keeping our children safe is a travesty. This bill is a perfect example of government overreach.

I urge you to **oppose** H.B. 7218