General Assembly Judiciary Committee

Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Sen Winfield, Rep Stafstrom & Judiciary Committee Members,

I urge that the Judiciary Committee OPPOSE Bill Number SB.16. Legal firearm owners in this state have to pay fees, take a training class, pass numerous background checks, pass the local police application process, then the state police background process. This whole procedure can take months and in some towns years to complete. And now more restrictions are being proposed on the legal gun owners; where they can carry, the manor in how they can carry, more firearm bans, more firearm parts bans, more gun registration, bans on firearms that are decades old, bans on firearm receivers, encouraging police intimidation, increasing police interaction. All these targeted to a group or class of citizens that have been vetted, background checked, fingerprinted, trained, and pay the fees.

Once again, I urge that the Judiciary Committee vote NO on SB.16.

I also urge the Committee to OPPOSE Raised H.B. No. 5416 AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

However, I would ask the Committee to SUPPORT the following bills:

Raised H.B. No. 5415 AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

Raised H.B. No. 5412 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Raised S.B. No. 388 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.

I appreciate the opportunity for me to submit my written testimony.

Respectfully submitted by,

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