To the Judiciary Committee:

There are so many reasons why I oppose Senate Bill 16, An Act Addressing Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime. They are enumerated below:

1. There is no reason to require registration of pre-2019 "ghost guns". I am willing to bet that most crimes committed with a gun are with stolen or black-market guns. You are trying to impose a registration scheme when 80% of the problem is caused by 20% of the population.....criminals!!!
2. Trigger locks are a pretty worthless ways to secure a firearm. I don't trust them.
3. I don't trust the state to competently provide "oversight and guidance" to Connecticut gun sellers. Your intention to charge them for this "service" only belies your intent to drain the industry of funds. It's crystal clear.
4. Requesting the showing of gun permits of those openly carrying firearms will only lead to profiling. Haven't we already discussed this in years past?
5. I cannot believe that you want to ban the carrying of firearms in polling places, public buildings, and public transit. So, a single mother who rides the bus at night on her way home from work must be unarmed? You are creating victims, not making the public safer.
6. If I want to openly carry a firearm at a rally, I am not hurting anyone and simply exercising both my Second and First Amendment Right
7. "Assault weapon" is a made-up political term and the fact that you want to ban firearms with arm braces and .22 caliber rifles if they have a certain cosmetic features, is beyond ridiculous!!
8. The fact that you previously made pre-1993 guns legal but now want to require a registration period is disgusting. Show me an instance where a pre-ban was used in a crime since you passed 1160?

My apologies for the laundry list but this bill is so wide-sweeping and each point is as egregious as the next, I had to list them.

PLEASE DO NOT PASS SB 16!!!!!!!!

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