

Dear Committee Members

I'm writing to say I strongly oppose all of the proposed new gun laws for our state. I have two young boys and if I thought for one second any of those laws would make them safer, I would give them my full support.

Some of the bills such as HB5112 which would make the names and addresses of all pistol permit holders in the state available to any criminal with access to a computer, are downright dangerous. The local police, state police, and the department of public safety already have that information. Why does anybody else need to know?

Two bills SB140 and HB5268 would require gun owners to pay liability insurance for what is supposed to be a constitutional right. And also tax ammo out of the reach of people already struggling to make ends meet. None of these measures will harm criminals in any way. They will punish the honest law abiding people of this state who happen to be gun owners.

Many would have to choose between feeding the family or paying outrageous insurance fees to keep their firearms.

SB124 would ban large capacity magazines, but would any criminal give up or destroy them, of course not. Only the law abiding citizen who spent his hard earned dollars on them would.

All of the laws I have seen proposed so far, do nothing to make anybody safer or have any chance of lowering crime. They do punish all law abiding citizens. This is in no way fair or just.

I hope you will base your recommendations on common sense, not reactionary emotions.

Thank you for your time.

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