

Dear Committee Members;

I apologize for not being able to attend the hearing in person but please consider the following:

Most of the bills introduced to date are onerous and unconstitutional. They will do nothing to stop crime or violence and will only affect the law abiding. If these bills are enacted the state will need to budget a fortune for the law enforcement officials and prisons that will be needed to house the sea of felons they will create.

Also, if the intent is to take private property where will the hundreds of millions of dollars needed to compensate people come from? What about the manufacturing and sales jobs lost, tax dollars gone from business income and sales?

We have too many gun laws now. Evil will never be stopped through legislation and we must not allow the government to limit our right of self-defense. The emphasis should be on enforcing the laws we have now, treating mental illness and stopping the revolving doors of our prison system.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

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