

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to you to express both my opinion and concern on the subject of gun violence protection that will be discussed at the upcoming hearing as I will be unable to attend. As a gun enthusiast and responsible gun owner I can not help but be concerned over some of the extreme gun control measures that have been both proposed and discussed in the past month.

These gun control measures which include a tax on ammunition at a rate of 50%, a more restrictive Assault Weapons Ban, and an act to disclose the names and addresses of any person with a handgun permit, I believe are misguided attempts to curtail and prevent gun violence. While I do think that there is much that can be done to prevent violence and make this country a safer place, I do not think that impinging upon the freedoms of law abiding citizens and gun owners such as myself is the way to accomplish that.

These proposals that I've mentioned as well as many others represent a sacrifice of the freedoms of the many to try and prevent the irrational actions of the few. While I do believe that there is much to be gained by increasing background checks and taking into serious consideration the mental health problems of certain individuals in this country, I do not believe that law abiding citizens who own guns should be punished and demonized.

I hope that the opinions and views of people such as myself are taken into consideration when a decision is reached concerning the safety of both our State and our Country. There is much opportunity to make this Country a safer place to live and retain the freedoms that make this Country great.

Sincerely,

Peter Zywiak