From:	Mary Senatori
To:	DeJong Annola
Subject:	Written Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 699
Date:	Wednesday, April 03, 2013 12:14:37 PM

Dear Chair Prozanski and members of the committee:

My name is Mary Senatori and I reside in northeast Portland.

I am calling on State legislators to **adopt Bill 699** to prohibit people from bringing loaded guns into the Capitol building.

Guns – whose primary purpose is to kill living things – have no place in a democratic forum devoted to civil discourse and problem resolution. There is no legitimate need to carry a loaded gun for offensive or defensive purposes, and therefore carrying them only serves to threaten and intimidate.

Please adopt Bill 699 as soon as possible.

Thank you,
Mary Senatori