

I would like to make my opinion heard regarding HB 4145. This bill is not well thought out or complete. Nowhere in this bill is there a single word of protection for the falsely accused. More than a small percentage of our population lack strong emotional intelligence. As you know that is the capacity to be aware of, control, and express one's emotions, and to handle interpersonal relationships judiciously and empathetically. Lashing out is a common occurrence when one's emotional intelligence falters and based on this bill, victims of that emotional attack are at risk. This bill in and of itself shows a significant dip in emotional intelligence by those who authored it. Are there things we can and should do to protect innocent victims of gun crimes? Yes, of course but why is the crime automatically assumed to be in the hands of the gun owner? False accusation causing me to be restricted from my constitutional rights would fall into that category as well in my mind.

Here is a novel though, how about instead of both anti-gun activists and pro-gun fanatics demonstrating their lack of emotional intelligence on both sides, we put together some think-tanks comprised of those not on the fringes but from the middle majority? I would be happy to engage on behalf of my demographic which would be the armed liberal who has trained extensively to be an ambassador for safe and reasonable gun support.

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