

To the Committee,

HB4145 is another misguided attempt to disarm as many people as possible. It also contains a trap. If a court issues a restraining order against you under current law, you have the option to contest it to attempt to "prove" your innocence. The problem is that under Federal law, if you contest this order, and it is upheld, you will lose your gun rights under Federal law. If you don't contest it, and the court has not ordered a gun prohibition, you will not lose your gun rights. In other words, if you agree to comply with the order, no matter how false the accusations are, you may not automatically lose your gun rights. So, in order to protect your rights you may be forced to comply with an unjust order. If you try to prove your innocence and the court upholds the order, your rights are revoked. Additionally, HB 4145 expands the definition of "family" to include someone with whom you lived or someone with which you had a sexual relationship, no matter how long ago. So, an old room mate can have your rights taken without any evidence if you try to defend yourself.

This bill is flawed in so many ways and the sponsors have not even offered up any evidence of a widespread problem. This appears to be a proposed solution to a problem that may not exist

This bill is so poorly written that anyone a person has ever had an intimate relationship with can cause their Constitutional rights to be revoked. It doesn't matter that the relationship may have been 20 years or more ago. Additionally, it would appear that any old roommate could do the same. This bill attempts to fix a problem that does not exist. Please have the proponents of this bill provide some evidence of the problem that is in need of a solution in the form of a new law.

Respectfully,

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