

Hello and good day to you,

Thank you for taking the time to review my testimony I wish to convey regarding the above mentioned State Bill.

In My Humble Opinion amendments proposed are too far overreaching and create an unsafe environment for the average household let alone for Rural households of senior citizens. They would prove to be very restrictive in self protection. Do you have any idea how long it would take to go from one floor of my home to another to retrieve the necessary implements (keys / lockboxes / thumbprint pads) just to access my weapon let alone actually get it out, insert the magazine / ammunition and then have time to use it as it was designed for, self protection?

I supposed I could ask the assailant to wait a min. or two while I do all the above. Or better yet ask them to wait outside while I call the local Law Enforcement Officer which is not all that local and takes 10+ min. to arrive IF they are in the area (a very broad area with few LEO's assigned here).

Basically you would be tying my and many others hands behind our proverbial backs making it next to impossible to protect ourselves. Those living in more urban / metropolitan areas would have a much quicker response but that is still no guarantee of success in defending ones self.

I would really like to be able to live my life out as securely as those who represent us have the opportunity to do so. I suggest you addressing the issues that have brought us to this point, the growing drug use, gang activity, homelessness etc. People in desperate situations take desperate measures. Why would you not allow law abiding citizens the ability to defend against such desperate offenses?

Again, thank you for your time and consideration. I apologize for any and all misspellings and grammatical errors,

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