

I am extremely against this bill and monster amendment that is chock full of provisions and restriction of our civil rights. But yet does nothing to curb crime, instead makes the law abiding, and victims of theft felons, the criminals.

Here are only a few reason:

1. It violates our civil constitutional rights at the State and Federal level. You are becoming the tyranical government when you push such bills. The reason we stand by our 2A rights.
2. Gun dealers don't have the right to change our civil rights. 18 year olds have the same civil rights as a 21 year old, especially when it comes to protecting themselves. If this age bracket were an issue for firearm ownership, we would not be drafting and entering adults in the military at 18. Does a 20 year old Marine on leave need his mother to purchase a firearm or ammo to go duck hunting?? Here at the same time some at State level think a 16 year old is adequate in age to decide the future of our State and Country by voting?
3. Adequate quick access is the only way to personal protection. Forced locked storage defeats the purpose of having protection. We have a ranch we live at part time and we are 35 minutes away from any phone service cell or LAN line. We have showed up to our home with intruders INSIDE the house. Firearms are the neutralizer in such rural living. It would be 35 minutes to just drive to even call a police officer. If I used emergency radio it would be at least 45-60 min for a sheriff to get to our ranch.
4. The only change that should be made to concealed carry should be that permitting isn't needed at all, not by adding documentation and more fees. This also becomes a caste system right instead of an equal right when it becomes expensive.
5. I find the limits in public places very concerning. The walkway to a persons home is considered a public place. The reason someone can walk to your door, etc. Will we be felons for stepping outside our door while armed? It is always alarming that you would not need to even be on the premises. My main residency is across the street from an elementary school and very close to a high school. If they create law for OUR public properties and surroundings it is extremely concerning as a neighbor. I personally wish to see more law abiding citizens armed in public places, this bill is only good for those who follow law, so it would eliminate this option in many areas, yet inviting those who do not follow law. Why do you think criminals are targeting such locations??

Making law abiding citizens criminals, particularly in the rural communities, does not solve any problems yet creates more. It creates revolt. Abide by your oath and protect the State and Federal Constitution.

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