

My name is Sharon Trammell. I am a young woman and a young mom (I'm 23 now, got married at 18 and chose to start a family at age 19.

I urge you to vote no on SB978.

I am a law abiding citizen with a clean record.

I strongly believe that voting this bill into law would take away alot of the freedom I have to protect my kids.

Specifically regarding section 1, I believe that allowing gun stores to make their own age requirements would mean the possibility of denying young women the right to self defense! We as a nation have come along way in creating equal rights for women and we encourage our daughters to be independent. At the age of 18, alot of young women leave home to live alone for the first time, to attend college or work and make their own way. Having the right to purchase a firearm and be able to protect themselves is a huge part of truly being independent!

Again, to be specific, regarding section 26, I believe that allowing public buildings to make their own restrictions for those of us who lawfully carry with a concealed handgun license, would make it alot more difficult for us to be able to protect ourselves and our children in the event of a shooting or attempted kidnapping or rape in or near any of these buildings.

I strongly believe that this bill, as a whole, would only serve to make law abiding citizens such as myself defenseless, while the criminals who have never had a problem breaking the laws put in place, would continue to do so.

Please, vote no on SB978!

Thanks for your time.

Sharon Trammell