

This is the testimony that I would have given at the committee meeting if time had been provided. I have not expanded this written testimony because I don't believe that the Chair really is listening. Otherwise more time would have been provided. Two hours is hardly enough time for this legislation to be considered if the democratic party was serious about hearing all sides. Therefore testimony is being ignored. That was the plan all the time. The democratic party is using the same methodology that Hitler used to gain total power over his legislature.

I am opposed to all of the restrictions to citizens in the "Dash 1" amendment. Unfortunately there isn't enough time given to address each section of the amendment. So I will have to focus on only one section.

Our State Constitution under Article 1 Section 27 codifies a long held right and tradition of firearms ownership and carry. This liberty provides for two purposes: defense of self and defense of the State.

A concealed handgun licensing law was written some 25 to 30 years ago and has not changed.

I would ask the members of this committee to demand from the chair documentation to prove that there is a PROBLEM with the law as it is currently written and to show the data that he is citing to justify changes in the existing law.

If there were problems caused by the 271,600 CHLs half of whom are women, there surely would be statistics that he can provide. So let's see them!

Women have chosen to carry to defend themselves against sexual assault!
Over one quarter million people will be directly affected by this amendment and until such time that the Chair provides proof of its necessity I urge you to vote NO. Thank you

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