

There are some flaws with the gun bill you are trying to pass. Let me explain from my point of view, a mother to three, a concealed carry permit holder, who has a great career and volunteers much of my time to the Scouting community.

**Granting local authorities the power to regulate firearm access in public buildings.**

I live in a town that has a shortage of police officers and an over-abundance of drug addicted thieves. If someone needs to call for help, help could be 10+ minutes away. In a dangerous situation, that is far too long and concealed gun permit holders can help in the event they have to, much sooner and until police can arrive. Imagine, someone walks into a building and starts shooting... How many people can die in 10 minutes? If I cannot carry a CONCEALED gun into the school as a trained legal permit holder, I am a sitting duck and I will die with the rest of them. I could have my gun sitting in the car because I couldn't bring it in. We could all die because I am trying to be lawful citizen by following the law and not bringing my gun in. The bill that made it illegal to carry a gun into a public location, is the same bill that didn't stop the shooter from shooting. Good job!

**Allowing retailers to set higher minimum purchasing age restrictions.** This allows for retailers to make up their own rules. Some will have higher limits, some will have the bare minimum. Some won't sell guns at all because they have a personal opinion on gun laws. Did this protect protect anyone from the shooter I mentioned above? No. If anything it made it easier, he stole the gun he used, and there was a shortage of law abiding citizens there to stop him, because they weren't "old enough". How old is "old enough"?

**Making hospitals provide firearm injury data to the state.** Now I don't think the whole thing is bad, this would actually be beneficial. I believe it will tell you that most gun shots wounds are not from the law abiding citizens, but the ones that are breaking the law, the ones that are desperate. It's a robbery, it's a drug deal gone wrong, it's vigilantes trying to make a point. While I think this would be beneficial, I caution that some information should remain private. The state is not above HIPAA and names and addresses aren't your business.

I am a law abiding citizen, and have a concealed carry permit. I have this to protect my family, friends, home, myself if I should ever need to in any location and situation.

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