

I just spent 30 minutes crafting the reasons why this law is a bad idea. Unfortunately there was an error in submitting my testimony. Here's the abbreviated version: this law punishes law abiding citizens who have passed a police background check and are unlikely to commit crimes in our community. The law will have very little effect on reducing gun violence. There are no peer reviewed studies I am aware of suggesting concealed carry holders use their permit to commit crimes. The proposed law punishes vulnerable populations who are elderly or physically incapable of protecting themselves against an armed attacker. This includes women who are protecting themselves against forceable rape. Many rapes occur on campus and women should be allowed to protect themselves. This law will also cause permit holders to leave their firearms in their vehicles when knowingly entering no-carry zones. This creates an opportunity for criminals to steal and use firearms unlawfully. Finally, the law is very confusing and it is likely permit holders will unwittingly stray into no-carry zones thereby unknowingly committing felonies. The second amendment is A part of the bill of rights on equal footing with the first amendment and the other nine amendments. These rights are reserved to the people and government Must take any law abridging the Second Amendment very seriously. Unfortunately, this law is based purely on emotion and will not decrease in crime.