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On Behalf Of:

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To: House Judiciary Committee

In Support of SB 2007

My name is Barbara Dallas and I live in Happy Valley. I am a retired medical social worker, a mother of 2 beautiful adult daughters, and grandparent to 3 children ages 6 and under.

Gun violence has impacted all of us, whether we are survivors ourselves, know survivors, or fear for the safety of ourselves and our children. Public buildings are vulnerable to violence, especially court houses and government buildings where democratic processes take place. We are all expected to comply when called for jury duty, yet someone with a concealed carry license can enter the courtroom and potentially act on negative impulses, creating a dangerous situation for everyone inside.

No one should be afraid to enter a court building, DMV office, Social Security Office, or any other municipal building, knowing that someone with a concealed firearm who has violent intentions can get inside. Just because someone has a concealed carry permit doesn't mean that they are immune from lapses in judgment or mental illness. In such places, I strongly believe the public should be fully protected and local governments should have the ability to keep guns out of sensitive places. I urge you to support SB 2007 for the safety of all law-abiding citizens.

I also request your support of SB 2005, which bans undetectable and untraceable ghost guns, and SB 2006, which raises the minimum age for purchase of semi-automatic rifles from 18 to 21.

Thank you for your consideration.

Barbara Dallas