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I strongly oppose HB2006 for two specific instances in this bill that are anti-hunting. First it removes the temporary transfer for hunting and target practice of "unapproved firearms" under section 2(2)(a)(B) for minors. Second, I am unsure if this is complete incompetence or oversight but the bill omits semi-auto shotguns from the approved list of firearms available for possession for 18-21 year olds. Semi-auto shotguns are extremely popular shotguns for waterfowl hunting, turkey hunting, and upland hunting and this bill would make those in current possession criminals if they are between the ages of 18 and 21 and would outlaw purchasing these guns as well for those 18-21.

Lastly, there was clearly very little oversight writing this bill because the new section 2(2)(F) listed an approved type of shotgun as "LEVEL or repeating action." I can only assume the intent was lever action but because this bill is so poorly written, lever action shotguns are not on the approved list but whatever a Level action is, is approved.