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I am strongly opposed to HB 2005 because it violates the U.S. Constitution, and limits our God given right to make devices to protect ourselves. While the concept of homemade, "untraceable" weapons sounds scary, according to the FBI's own statistics, only a very tiny fraction of the guns used in the commission of crimes are 80% or homemade firearms. As can be seen in areas like Chicago, when laws are enacted to limit the possession of firearms by law abiding citizens, the overall effect is to increase violent crimes involving the use of guns. Not only does this bill limit the rights of the average law abiding citizen, but it would create a large group of "felons" overnight who have committed no real crime and have not harmed anyone by their actions.

"Good people do not need laws to tell them to act responsibly, while bad people will find a way around the laws." -Plato