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This is pretty weak. It doesn't really address mental illness, nor does it understand suicidal ideation. It just makes it very easy to transfer a gun without any liability.

The research used to develop this bill, is tenuous at best, as far as it's support for the bill.

First, several suggestions that came from the research, are not existing in the bill. And rather than make gun owners feel safer and trustful when handing a gun over to someone professional, this bill just gives up, and encourages a person in crisis to just pass it to a buddy.

How would we even know that this is transferred in good faith?

And who do they turn to for education? The NRA. The NRA is not a suicide prevention group. The research on this suggests that the NRA is sufficient "factual training."

The few gun owners in the study, compare this to designating a drunk driver, or handing someone your keys.

We would be surprised if the professionals involved in the study, would even support the bill.

In addition, we already voted for a bill that is comprehensive. Let that do it's job, and let's create a better supplementary bill for suicide prevention.