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While I agree the aim of SB1503 is founded in good intent, it largely misses the mark by grouping together two problems with separate causes (and by proxy separate solutions). What's worse is that the separate problems are being viewed through the lens of a common villain, firearms, which biases any potential solution to address the root cause of the violent or self destructive behavior. This will result in focusing on the tools used to enact violence rather than the root cause and solutions enacted will be short-sighted and ineffective. I oppose this legislation and feel our resources can be better utilized to address the root cause - emotional and mental health.