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This bill as written requires that any challenges to the law occur in a specific county, according to section 22. This strikes me as unreasonable when the law is applicable to the entire state. Supposing one had to challenge the law, why should they be required to bring a suit in a particular county? This may be no big deal for those who are flush with cash and able to travel often, but for most of us it is an unreasonable requirement that would doom any challenge to immediate failure by raising yet another costly barrier. It is not just to put up pay-to-win walls around your laws. If they are fair and constitutional, they will hold up in court, no need to hide and shield them.

This policy inequitably punishes the less affluent members of our state.

It additionally increases the fee for the permit. This is a regressive policy which unfairly punishes those of us who are less affluent. The permit in and of itself poses a significant financial hurdle to marginalized prospective gun owners, many of whom work unusual hours and may struggle to even find an appointment for an approved course. It is a state and federal constitutional right for citizens to keep and bear arms, especially for self defense.

This bill seeks to place barriers between common everyday people and their constitutional right to defend themselves.

Thank you for reading. Please, for the sake of the marginalized, vote in opposition to this bill.