

Unfortunately due to my health problems I am unable to attend the hearing about House Bill 585. Please accept this letter as my affidavit and True Testimony on the bill.

This bill is truly overly broad and defective in nature. And worse I believe it was written that way intentionally to violate 1st and 2nd Amendment rights to all citizens within the State of Ohio.

" to eliminate the process by which an individual may apply for relief from a weapons disability;" This is in violation of the 1st Amendment rights that this body has no authority to change"; Namely "to petition the Government for a redress of grievances". The bill continues its attempt to usurp the powers of the Constitution in removing the rights to individuals under the 2nd Amendment; Namely "to generally prohibit a person from buying, purchasing, obtaining, or furnishing a firearm on behalf of a third party" This section of the bill does not eliminate ANY person from being subservient to its mandates. ALL OHIO CITIZENS basically in possession of a gun are in violation of this proposed legislation if it should pass.

That in and of itself is enough to vote this dangerous proposed legislation down.

This is nothing more than a response to a sensationalized one sided news reports of school shootings. Instead of addressing preventative measures to maximize the safety of our children in schools anti gun advocates want to punish law abiding citizens by ripping 2nd Amendment rights from them.

These sensationalized news reports intentionally leave out stories where guns saved our children's lives like most recently in Illinois a school resource Officer prevented ANY LIFE from being taken when he stopped a student attempting to kill seniors during their practice graduation ceremony. Needless to say ALL the students were able to attend their graduation 5 days later.

You can find that story here in a Fox News report which was totally ignored by CNN, ABC, NBC and CBS www.foxnews.com/us/2018/05/21/officer-gets-standing-ovation-at-graduation-for-stopping-shooting.html There are many many more cases where guns saved lives. Saved more lives by far than lives that have inexcusably been taken by people violating laws already in effect.

Now to address the another part of the bad legislation. IT sits up the real possibility of one minor with some of their buddies wrongfully claiming based only on their word that the accused "threaten" the person with bodily harm. We are talking about kids here where this body is trying to elevate, more than likely childish squabbles, to an unlawful act of felony level punishment.

And whether or not these individuals' claims are found to be false the accused HAS TO PAY for all costs of the Court case. The accusers whether lying or not about the "threat" pay nothing for bringing the complaint. This exacerbates the problem of bullying in our schools. The bullies now can get Big Brother to bring legal charges against the ones they bully and at the very least the accused has to pay all the Court costs. Whereas the bully pays nothing.

For the reasons above I not strongly urge this body to vote this disaster down but I demand it be done.

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