Testimony:

The representatives in this chamber have all taken an oath, and a part of that oath is to uphold the Constitution of the United States of America.

You are all familiar with the second Amendment, I am sure, however, just in case someone missed it, it reads, "A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED"

The right to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

It does not matter if you are a Democrat or Republican, a liberal or a conservative. It does not matter if you love or hate firearms. It does not matter if you like certain firearms and not others. The Constitution, via the second amendment does not differentiate. The right to keep and bear arms is not conditional. The second amendment does not say shall not be infringed, except ____. It does not say the people shall be able to keep and bear arms if the government gives them permission! It simply says shall not be infringed.

No matter your political persuasion, your personal feelings on any gun related issue, It s time we all acted as patriots and started upholding our constitution especially our representation, as you have made an oath to that effect.

We, the populace, as a whole, have sat by and watched a number of constitutional violations happen, especially in reference to the second amendment. That to me is a sad situation, one that I hope to see remedied soon.

I am thankful that this committee has taken up this bill, While I feel it falls woefully short in the restoration of second amendment rights overall, it is a good step in the right direction to the restoration of our Constitutionally guaranteed rights.

Thank you for your time, thank you for considering my viewpoint on this matter.

Sincerely,

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