

Testimony on Senate Bill 317
Government Oversight and Reform Committee

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Chair Coley, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the committee, thank you for allowing me to present this testimony in opposition to SB 317.

I am an Ohio resident AND I VOTE! My husband served 30 years in the U.S. Air Force, retiring as a full colonel, and I was by his side every step of the way. I earned my teaching degree during those years and spent my career as an educator. My husband is a firearms collector and competitive shooter.

But I do NOT support teachers carrying firearms in their schools, no matter how much training they have had. How many accidental shootings occur every single day in this country??? The answer does not lie with having more weapons around our children. And what example does that set for our kids?! Schools are struggling now with keeping students and staff safe from Covid 19; they don't need another layer of danger added to their load.

I beg of you - reject SB 317.

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