

Testimony on Senate Bill 383  
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 Senate Bill 383.

My name is Shannon Mulligan and I am an Ohio resident and voter. I am a mom wife and business owner and have lived in Columbus for 9 years. I am originally from Dayton. I am writing this testimony as a very concerned citizen. Stand Your Ground laws are associated with an increase in firearm homicides and injuries and do not deter crime. Stand Your Ground laws have a disproportionate impact on communities of color. When white shooters kill Black victims, the resulting homicides are deemed justifiable 11 times more frequently than when the shooter is Black and the victim is white.

I continue to be disappointed by our legislatures failure to act on gun violence. As a proud Dayton Gem, I was saddened and horrified by the mass shooting in our beloved Oregon District. We begged you to "Do Something". And yet, here we are again considering legislature that will increase gun violence.

I urge this committee to vote NO on SB 383.

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