

To the Honorable Jeff LaRe  
Chair of the Ohio House Criminal Justice Committee  
Opposition Statement in Reference to H. B. 99  
03-24-2021

Dear Committee Chair LaRe and Committee Members,

I live in Akron, Ohio a city that decimated by illegal gun use. Already in 2021 we have 15 gun involved deaths on the books. In 2020 we had 50 gun involved deaths. In our city, more guns is not the answer.

I am writing as an opponent of H. B. 99. I fear if enacted it will have a ripple effect of unintended consequences related to accidental firing of a handgun or the mishandling of a hand gun. As proposed, the legislation would eliminate the mandated peace officer firearm training required for any persons authorized to go armed within a school safety zone. I think this legislation is bad for our communities and schools. I strongly oppose passage of this bill and ask the committee to maintain the current high standards of training required for persons authorized to go armed within a school safety zone.

With Sincere Thanks for your Consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eli Dorman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Eli" and last name "Dorman" clearly legible.

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