

House Government Oversight Committee
Opposition Testimony HB 227

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Chairman Wilkin, Vice Chair White, Ranking Member Sweeney and committee members:

I am an Ohio resident and a voter. I need to voice my opposition to HB 227. Gun deaths are on the rise. There is no question about this. Allowing previously restricted people to carry a hidden gun, having had no background check, and no training will only serve to make this situation worse. It makes no sense. HB 227 would also allow untrained, unchecked persons to keep their hidden gun a secret from police should they encounter police. If officers do become aware a person has a gun, they can't check to see if it is owned legally as there would not have been a licensing process. HB 227 will only result in making Ohioans lives more dangerous. Please do not support HB 227.