

October 28, 2023

Re: HB 272

Dear Members of the House Government Oversight Committee:

I am strongly opposed to HB 272. It is a dangerous, reckless bill which allows individuals to carry concealed weapons into mixed use/government buildings that have a courtroom but are not a courthouse.

Even when the court is not in session, the safety of judges, magistrates, and government staff in their offices in the shared building would be at risk. The bill states that guns would be permitted when court hearings are not being conducted but this creates a number of problems on how to implement the practice.

This is a recipe for disaster!! Why is it necessary to have a weapon in a government building? Or any business building for that matter. Haven't we seen enough violence by gunfire?

Respectfully,
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