

**House Ways and Means Committee  
Opponent Testimony on House Bill 189**

Submitted by Jen Madaffer

Dear Chairman, Ranking Member, and committee members. Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this matter.

I am a resident of North Lawrence, a rural community in Stark County and a mother. I'm writing this testimony as a private, and very concerned, citizen.

Who exactly does this bill serve? It is clear that it is designed to benefit the gun industry, not Ohio citizens. That is why the only people who testified on behalf of this bill were gun lobbyists! Tax exemptions should be reserved for products and businesses that make Ohioans safer. This bill is only designed to benefit the gun industry by "making Ohio more gun friendly". Most Ohio parents do NOT want more guns around our children. Please reject HB 189.

Thank you,

Jen Madaffer