

March 23, 2021

Representative Jeff LaRe

Ohio District 77

1 Capitol Square

Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Opposition to HB 99 “Arming Untrained Teachers” bill

Dear Representative LaRe,

My Name is Neil Moore. I have been a gun owner for over 50 years and do believe in the lawful right to own guns in a responsible way. Currently, I am a member of several gun safety organizations. Thank you for giving me the time to hear my opposition testimony to HB 99.

Having teachers carry guns in our school is an accident waiting to happen. Having teachers carry guns with limited training will result in a firearm accident either by a teacher or a student who get possession of a teacher’s gun. It is totally irresponsible. If it is necessary to have armed security guards in schools, they should be trained police officers or persons who have completed approved basic peace officer training.

As a gun owner I have devoted many hours of my time to promote gun safety laws that will reduce the number of deaths and accidents as a result of misuse of guns. I urge you to discontinue hearings on HB99.

Neil Moore

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