

Ohio Senate Veterans and Public Safety Committee
Opposition Testimony on SB 168
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To Chairman Hoagland, Vice Chair Johnson, Ranking Member Thomas, and Committee Members: thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

I live in a rural community, Louisville Ohio and I oppose SB 168. Unfortunately, this bill leaves the door open to allow civilians (including teachers) to carry guns in schools with an (as yet) unknown amount of training. Not only does the bill not specify an AMOUNT of training for civilians, it does not describe the QUALITY of the training. People making life and death decisions to shoot a child need to understand childhood behavior and know what is age appropriate. Teenagers push and shove and argue. They do not deserve to be shot for it. We know the gun lobby wants as little training requirements as possible (or none) for people to carry loaded weapons in our communities. We have no guarantees in this bill that the training discussed will be adequate. Please stop this bill.

Respectfully,
Carol Kralik