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House State and Local Government Committee House Building Columbus, OH 43215

Mr. Chairman and Members of the House State and Local Government Committee:

I write today in support of Senate Bill 360. This bill, sponsored by Senate President Obhof, would bar public officials from prohibiting the commercial sale or transfer of firearms or their components or ammunition by federally licensed firearms dealers.

Ohio has continued to protect the Second Amendment rights of its citizens through the COVID-19 pandemic but many states have attempted to restrict these freedoms in recent months. To make matters worse, those states have enacted unconstitutional restrictions at a time when a record number of Americans are embracing their Second Amendment right for the first time.

The pandemic has shown this legislation is necessary to protect the rights of law abiding citizens. The NRA, BFA and NSSF also believe that additional protections for concealed handgun licensing, possession of firearms, firearms training and shooting range access should be considered in separate legislation.

We cannot be assured that a similar situation may not arise in the future. And under different leadership it may have a different outcome in the State of Ohio.

For these reasons the NRA fully supports SB 360 and thanks this committee for its work on this important piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

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