Testimony on Senate Bill 317 Government Oversight and Reform Committee

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Chair Coley, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the committee, thank you for allowing me to present this testimony in opposition to SB 317.

My name is Erin and I am a resident of the State of Ohio, a parent and my husband Is a gun owner. Seeing first hand the time and knowledge that it takes to be a trained and Responsible gun owner, I am writing today to say that I DO NOT support SB 317.

The thought of untrained individuals having a loaded gun inside of a school is completely asinine to me. I hope it would also be completely inappropriate to anyone in this Room. It takes hours and repeated training to be able to safely and confidently handle and accurately shoot a weapon. To think that someone with little to no training could in any setting effectively use that weapon is a fairy tale. This is not a safe solution to a larger problem. For the sake of our students and children, vote NO on this bill.

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