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.

I am a retired teacher who is against SB317. Foremost, there is little or no training given to teachers to carry and use these weapons. What about the safety of the children? In a classroom with a person who has little knowledge of guns, where would these weapons be kept, how do we know students would not get hold of a weapon, a gun is dangerous in the first place but in the hands of a person without experience with guns it is worse.

My husband is a hunter and understands how to use a gun and the importance of this knowledge. He is appalled that people with no background in gun safety would be carrying weapons in our schools. There has to be a better way to protect our children in school. DO NOT BRING WEAPONS INTO OUR SCHOOLS.

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