Dear members of the House Government Oversight Committee,

I'm writing this testimony to be entered into the official record in support for Constitutional Carry, introduced by Representatives Tom Brinkman and Kris Jordan.

I am a 66year old resident of the state of Ohio. I and other senior citizens deserve the right under the U.S. Constitution to defend ourselves and protect ourselves from the criminal element. We don't want to be licensed and have our names given outright to the news media who display them in their news papers. Criminals target people who have their names displayed for being able to defend themselves with a firearm. This must stop. GUNS save lives.

The right to keep and bear arms exist for a reason. It is embedded in the Constitution. Constitutional Carry should not be circumvented because of a few people who misunderstand the Constitution. Most of the people who testity against Constitutional carry do not even live in OHIO. I want to be able to protect myself should the need arise without having to apply for a ccw license. Where does it say in the Constitution you need a ccw license to carry a firearm?

People always say the words gun violence, but guns aren't violent PEOPLE ARE VIOLENT. The news media makes the term gun violence up to suite them.

Constitutional Carry gets government out of the rights-regulation business and restores the ability to carry a firearm for self-defense without government permission or adding oneself to a government database.

Constitutional Carry is important, common sense gun legislation that is sweeping across America, and it has my full support!

Please pass Constitutional Carry like other states have done and watch crime go down. Thank-you for your time! Keep Ohio Number 1.

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