

This bill is deeply flawed and should be tossed out of committee. If a criminal chooses to steal a gun, then uses said gun in the commission of another crime, the owner of the stolen gun should not be held liable for the actions of the criminal. This is preposterous. What if rather than a gun is stolen and used in another crime it is a car? Is the vehicle owner, who is a victim of theft, now liable for the criminal actions of the thief? Where has common sense gone?

Additionally, if a law abiding citizen owns a gun for protection how can that gun be used in the moment it is needed most if it is locked up? Should police officers be required to keep a trigger lock on their firearms as well? Or licensed armed security guards? Why is our God given right of self defense being curtailed? It would seem apparent that after the riots of last year and the increase in crime rates that a reasonable person would want to arm themselves and protect themselves and their families from the criminal element that seems to enjoy more legal protections than the common law abiding citizen.

Please oppose this bill and all others like it. Thank you.