

Dear Committee Members,

Please be aware that HB 2510 is nothing more than a "feel good" bill that will have nothing to do with reducing or affecting violence as it doesn't address the actual causes of violence. Which is human behavior. It doesn't address the criminal activity which is necessary to first illegally enter a persons home to take and appropriate property, it only places additional burdens and utopian strictures in a citizens private home. And too the issue is that such strictures are inherently unconstitutional and have already been addressed by the Supreme Court of the United States, which has already determined such strictures are unconstitutional. So the passage of this bill will only entail law suits and an expenditure of tax dollars trying to fight for an unconstitutional law.

While most people understand the driving issue of such a bill, they have a hard time understanding why our current government believes they can violate our federal constitution at their pleasure. And again the bill won't do a thing to curb crime or violence. Nothing. Again it's a utopian "feel good" measure pushed by radical progressives and nothing more than pandering. The 4th Amendment requires that the government respect the privacy of citizens homes, to place undue strictures on citizens is a direct violation of the 4th Amendment. And too there is absolutely no way that the government can enforce such a stricture except after the fact, which is essentially an 8th Amendment issue. I would also point out that the 10th Amendment states that the powers of the federal government in this matter are governed by the 2nd Amendment, which states possession of firearms are a constitutional right and for any state to inveigle and obfuscate any federal amendment is nothing less than criminal behavior. I urge this committee to not further consider a bill which will have nothing to do in reducing or altering criminal behavior by those that consciously and frequently violate our laws. Placing onerous restrictions on citizens helps no one, but does hurt many.

Respectfully,

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