

I support HB2543, the Charleston Loophole Bill, because this loophole allows firearms to end up in the wrong hands, namely the hands of violent criminals and domestic abusers, and therefore needs to be immediately closed. By not allowing law enforcement enough time to complete thorough background checks, violent criminals who are legally prohibited to own guns can receive them anyway, especially since the background checks that take more than three days are often the ones that result in denial. During the Covid-19 pandemic, this loophole has been exacerbated, since more background checks than ever have been preformed in the past year. It is essential that this bill is passed so that firearms stay out of dangerous hands.