

As a young man, I spent 24 years in the U.S. Navy in service to this country, the greatest country on the face of the earth. This country is the greatest because our Founding Fathers had the intelligence, experience and forethought to draft a document, the Constitution of the United States of America. For nearly 250 years this document, conceived and written in an effort to proclaim the unalienable rights of every law abiding Citizen of this country and to protect those Citizens from an overreaching government, has done just that. Upon my enlistment in the U.S. Navy nearly 40 years ago, I swore an oath, I swore to defend the Constitution of the United States of America, against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and now more than ever the Constitution and our rights are under attack from Politicians and misguided ideas. My guess is that when each one of you took office you swore a very similar oath. SB 554 is just another unnecessary tool that will be used to further erode the Constitutional rights of law abiding Citizens. I do not see how the passage of this bill could be construed as, "defending the Constitution." Please do not vote in favor of the SB 554.