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I am strongly opposed to HB 2007 because it limits the ability of the average citizen to protect themselves against violent attack while in public places. This law does not improve safety for the average citizen because criminals refuse to obey the law, and will continue to break existing laws in the pursuit of crime. Instead the law makes the law abiding citizen more vulnerable to attack, and unable to mount an effective defense. Furthermore, this law's primary aims appear to be to limit the rights provided to us by the U.S. Constitution, and to make otherwise law abiding citizens into criminals.

"Good people do not need laws to tell them to act responsibly, while bad people will find a way around the laws." -Plato