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I strongly OPPOSE SB 348

This is yet another bill brought forth to subvert the US and State constitution. Do we not already have "gun control" laws in place, why do those not stop "gun violence"? Is it not one of the most heinous crimes to commit murder and is there not laws against it? Why is it that murder still happens, why is it that assaults, rape, child trafficking and robberies continue to happen when we have laws against them? Probably because the persons committing these egregious acts do not care about the law and will do what ever they deem necessary to get what they want. You would impose laws that only limit the rights of law abiding citizens but also make them vulnerable to those criminals you let walk the streets! The focus should be on the individuals committing the crimes not on creating more laws to hinder law abiding citizen from protecting themselves and those around them. Here are some statistics showing how being able to own, purchase and use firearms do more to save lives! "According to the Justice Department's statistics, 67,740 people a year don't become victims because they own a gun."

"The National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) would peg the annual number of self-defense gun uses to be around 100,000 per year."

The real number is most likely higher since defensive gun use is not reported majority of the time if it prevents the crime from happening without needing to fire the firearm and most media outlets only cover/track tragic events.

Enacting fees, extended time lines and other regulations on acquiring/owning a firearm is blatantly disregarding the constitution. You are creating a "barrier to entry" putting innocent lives at risk by placing a undue burden on those that follow the laws. This bill will do nothing to prevent "gun violence" but will enable those willing to commit crimes a greater chance to be successful in doing so! Please vote NO on SB 348