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I spent quite some time thinking about what to write here but I just feel that regardless of what it is, it will be completely ignored by those we chose to represent us. Everyday I wake up and leave my house I face some of the most unimaginable things on my way to work and instead of focusing our hard earned money in dealing with the drug problem and crimes happening all around, legislators shift their efforts into creating task forces that will further strip us from our rights. This will then become a legal battle once again where more and more of the taxpayers money will be wasted while members of the government laugh in their fenced houses guarded by the same men they wish to disarm.

Maybe we could lower suicidal rates by addressing the problem with drugs. Maybe we could prevent safety threats in communities by investing in education programs and extra curricular activities to the youth. Maybe we could focus all funds that would be allocated to this non-sense bill into what really needs the money and start taking people off the streets and providing them with jobs and a way of getting back on their feet. I can probably list dozens of better ideas that will really impact the lives of those that are going through tough times or that are on the edge and steering the wrong way so when I see bills like this even being proposed it makes me question if you really have our best interest in mind.

I oppose this bill with all my strength and really wish this testimony is read by those involved in this and if after reading all the testimonies in opposition you decide to still move forward with this, I hope that every single night, when you lay down to rest you remember all the tax payers' money you are wasting on useless programs while real problems are still happening out there and you do nothing to get them resolved.

Sincerely,