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VOTE NO on HB 3075!!

House Bill 3075 represents an unconstitutional overreach that infringes upon the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens. While proponents may argue it enhances public safety, the bill's modifications to Ballot Measure 114 (2022) impose undue burdens on individuals exercising their constitutional freedoms, contradicting both legal precedent and the principles of liberty enshrined in the U.S. Constitution.

The Second Amendment guarantees the right to keep and bear arms, a right affirmed by the Supreme Court in *District of Columbia v. Heller* (2008) and extended to the states in *McDonald v. Chicago* (2010). HB 3075's permitting scheme—extending the processing time to 60 days, increasing fees, and mandating training or alternatives—creates unnecessary obstacles to this right. These requirements disproportionately affect low-income individuals, effectively pricing them out of their constitutional protections. The Supreme Court's *New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen* (2022) ruling further clarified that restrictions on gun rights must align with historical traditions of firearm regulation. No such tradition supports this level of bureaucratic hindrance.

Moreover, the bill's exemption of permit application data from public disclosure raises transparency concerns. While privacy is important, shielding this process from oversight invites abuse and undermines accountability. The extended 60-day waiting period also assumes guilt rather than innocence, delaying a right without evidence of necessity. This violates due process principles under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments.

The temporary exceptions—delaying permit requirements for transfers until 2026 and certain firearms until 2028—only highlight the bill's arbitrariness. If permits are critical for safety, why delay? If not, why impose them at all? Permanent exemptions for law enforcement and military further expose the bill's inconsistency, suggesting privilege rather than principle guides its framework.

Forcing legal challenges into Marion County Circuit Court restricts judicial access, potentially violating equal protection by favoring local litigants. Declaring an "emergency" to rush passage without thorough debate mocks democratic process.

HB 3075 is a solution in search of a problem, eroding rights under the guise of safety. It fails constitutional muster and should be rejected outright. Lawmakers must

prioritize liberty over control.

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