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On Behalf Of:

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Chair Kropf, Vice Chairs, and Committee Members:

I am proudly in support of HB 3076. We need to ensure that gun dealers in our state are properly inspected and we cannot rely on the ATF to do it. We know that in the past they have lacked the staffing to inspect more than once every 10-25 years. We also know that this will be far from a priority for the federal government going forward. We are stepping into the breach as 16 states have already done by creating a gun dealer licensing program. Our state needs to ensure that gun dealers are following all laws, have their employees properly trained and undergoing a background check, and working to prevent straw purchases.

Thank you for taking my testimony.

Fern Wexler