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Mohammed Alshamrani used to be my next door neighbor when I was stationed in Pensacola, Florida. Thankfully my wife and I moved out to come back to Oregon in August of 2019 when I separated from the service.

In December of that year Mohammed became known as the Pensacola base shooter when he shot and killed 2 students and his instructor. He was a Saudi Royal Air Guard Pilot here for training. He had allegiance towards Al-Qaeda and came here to wreak his havoc.

As a law biding military member I was not allowed to possess firearms on base. I was not allowed to protect my family from those who took advantage of our government. At the end of the day a terrorist is still a criminal. HB3075 only makes me feel like I'll be in a similar situation. Not being able to protect myself of my family while those who defy the laws run rampant against the defenseless.

HB3075 would only allow those who wish us harm an easier opportunity to do so without us being able to protect ourselves and our families. HB3075 would not have prevented the previously mentioned from obtaining a firearm or carrying over 5 magazines on his persons. Those who wish to do harm will find a way to so no matter how drastic the measures before them may be.

Simply put; HB3075 does not make me feel safer whatsoever, it brings back familiar memories with tragic outcomes.

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