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I strongly oppose HB 3076 because it does not effectively address the core issue of keeping law-abiding citizens safe. Instead of focusing on enhancing public safety, this bill makes it unnecessarily difficult for responsible citizens to acquire weapons for self-defense.

Many individuals rely on their ability to legally possess firearms as a means of protecting themselves and their families. Laws that restrict access to firearms for those who follow the law only serve to disarm the very people who need protection, while criminals—who do not abide by the law—will find ways to acquire weapons regardless of new restrictions.

The focus should be on enforcing existing laws that prevent criminals from obtaining firearms, rather than penalizing responsible citizens who seek to protect themselves. Public safety is best served by ensuring law-abiding citizens have the means to defend themselves, not by making it harder for them to do so.