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SB 698 is a dangerous bill and I oppose it. According to the 2023 FBI report on 'Active Shooter Incidents in the United States' (<https://www.fbi.gov/file-repository/2023-active-shooter-report-062124.pdf/view>), between 2019-2023, Citizen intervention successfully stopped 9 of these public events before Law Enforcement could intervene.

You need only look at Columbine, or Uvalde to understand the high and awful price of not having a trained, licensed populous of law-abiding citizens—who have already earned the public's trust, including training requirements, and background checks—able and willing to confront the lawless individuals willing to perpetuate these crimes.

This measure is only punitive to lawful CHL holders and it creates dangerous opportunities for criminals to prioritize soft targets.