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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB243

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 243.

This bill began as a study of the transfer of firearms, but a last minute 23 page long amendment was just added to it mere days before a hearing on April 7. I was shocked when I read the summary, "Requires the Department of State Police to study the efficiency of firearm transfer criminal background checks." This overly simplistic summary would lead most voters to think that SB243 is innocuous & won't affect our 2nd Amendment gun rights. Therefore, they won't bother to give testimony.

This 23 page, redundant amendment includes unconstitutional restrictions, increases the age of gun ownership to 21, adds gun use restrictions on lands next to listed public locations, & many other restrictions and requirements for gun purchasers.

The last minute timing of posting this amendment to SB 243, the misleading bill summary, and the gutting & stuffing of this bill with restrictions and requirements that clearly violate our 2nd Amendment rights is reprehensible.

Law abiding gun owners will be most affected by SB243 should it be passed, and most of them will have no idea of what this bill includes. These last minute changes have intentionally been done to keep the real intentions of this bill from the public. It is so deceptive.

Vote NO on SB 243

BTW, take a look at SB 696, 697, & 698, All of these bills have been stuffed into SB 243 & will most likely come up if SB 243 doesn't pass.