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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB696

Dear Elected Officials,

I am in staunch opposition of this proposed bill as this horribly written bill would essentially turn thousands of law abiding citizens into criminals overnight for simply owning an upgraded trigger. This is a major infringement on our constitutionally protected right as criminalizing accessories and/or critical parts of firearms not only defies the decisions of The United States Supreme Court and other courts with decisions in this manner, but also provides arbitrary 'faster than' criteria that is at face value intended to restrict law abiding citizens from exercising their 2nd Amendment Rights. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) already regulates 'machine guns' and devices defined as machine guns, so the redundant verbiage for 'switches' and auto sears is entirely pointless as these are federally banned/regulating, whereas other devices and accessories such as triggers with lighter spring weight, forced reset or other components the DO NOT fit the criteria or definition of a 'machine gun' and therefore are not, and should not, be banned. With this bill's same flawed thought process and lack of logic, the next items being banned could be textured firearm grips, which would arguably help the operator of a firearm. The same flawed logic could also be applied to scopes and sights, as these enhance the operator's ability to identify the target and improve accuracy. What is to stop the overreach and banning all parts of a firearm, essentially banning firearms all together?!? This infringement is absolutely unconstitutional, unlawful, and I urge you to dump this bill as the passage would cause irreparable harm to lawful citizens while causing unnecessary challenges in the courts and will ultimately be overturned as wholly unlawful. PLEASE VOTE NO ON SENATE BILL 696.