Greetings,

As someone who recently starting to get involved more in this state education system and Legislature, I unfortunately feel very unsafe.

I have personally always supported our 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment right. Now more than ever I support it because I want to be able to protect myself and my children in life and I want to do in a responsible safe way and be able to afford to do so.

I have watched for years the MD legislature make it harder and harder for the consumer and or companies to allow citizens to protect themselves with LEGAL firearms. I was just too busy raising my family to get involved.

This bill to me is Increasing taxes on the consumer not the business. Any commonsense businessperson knows if you increase taxes on the business that cost gets passed on to the consumer and they need to be able to stay in business. Please just stop making it harder for citizens to protect themselves, especially since this state is getting increasingly unsafe, I feel in record rates.

Please vote for an UNFAVORABLE on SB 0784 Crossfield with HB0935.

Thanks,

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