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BILL NO.: Senate Bill 479
COMMITTEE: Judicial Proceedings
TITLE: *Public Safety—Access to Firearms—Storage Requirements*
POSITION: Oppose

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SB 479 would make it a crime to “store or leave a firearm in a location where the person knew or should have known that an unsupervised minor **could** gain access to the firearm.” This creates a requirement with which it is impossible for a firearm owner to comply. There is no storage location that is so secure that the possibility that it could be accessed by an unsupervised minor is entirely eliminated. SB 479 is an unnecessary bill that would create more problems than it solves. I request an “unfavorable” vote on SB 479.