

# Written Testimony Regarding HB1291

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Hello,

I am submitting this written testimony to register my strong **OPPOSITION** to HB1291. I believe this bill, which is very similar to bills SB0624/HB0638, is dangerous in its intent, methods, and scope. Homemade guns are rarely used in crime and existing owners are law-abiding hobbyists, not criminals. These bills would do nothing to prevent or deter criminals from acquiring guns while penalizing existing, law-abiding owners. Additionally, the ban on undetectable firearms is redundant of federal law, unnecessary, and penalizes possession permitted by federal law. And finally, these bills impose impractical restrictions on citizens and are overly broad.

However, HB1291 is even worse in that, unlike the complicated grandfather clause that does exist in SB0624/HB0638 for currently owned homemade firearms, HB1291 would have citizens jailed for continued possession. Owners of homemade firearms would have to choose between ridding themselves of their personal property or face potential criminal prosecution.

This bill has clearly not been reasoned through thoroughly. I respectfully request that you reject this legislation as it can only cause more harm than it prevents and ensnare citizens unjustly in the legal system for little more than exercising their Second Amendment rights.

Thank you for your time,  
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