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HB0669

Straw Purchase Participant Penalty

Position: SUPPORT

HB0669 elevates the penalty for knowingly participating in a “straw purchase” from misdemeanor to felony. This would help discourage straw purchases and allow more flexibility for prosecutors to offer an attractive plea deal to these purchasers for evidence against higher level criminals.

I would request a Favorable report.

Respectfully,

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