

UNFAVORABLE Testimony - HB 0171
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No. In general we are at a pivot point in history where we must stop spending state residents' tax dollars that they have had to work very hard for! And the last two years the residents have had to work harder than ever just to make ends meet because of YOUR lack of understanding of your roles as legislators. You are here to protect our rights not take them away. I will not support any additional funding for any thing new until that principle is understood and adhered to! This is the first principle establishing the foundation of our Constitution and that is the same constitution that you swore an oath to. Every time any one of you agree to more taxes being taken from your constituents without first replacing what was already taken away, you are continuing down the path of incompetence and malfeasance by not upholding your oath.

Specifically establishing controls in the name of safety or of crisis has one and only one outcome – more chipping away at our rights or the rights of corporations to provide products and services to us. Although the cause sounds noble find a way to do it without it affecting our rights or allow a nonprofit or social organization accomplish this! Education instead of limitations.

No more taking away our rights. No more giving the perception that the government needs to provide safety or justice in a crisis. Safety is a state of mind of the individual. The government cannot provide that state of mind. We The People did not create government to protect us, we created the government to **PROTECT OUR RIGHTS!!** There is no right to safety since that can only be defined by the individual, not by the population. I can feel safe standing in front of a roaring lion and you may not feel safe. It is because I have the right state of mind, and you do not. **YOU THE GOVERNMENT CANNOT PROVIDE SAFETY** so stop lying to the people and deceiving them into thinking that you can!!

Back to your oath of office, this bill sets up the government to take away more of our rights. Therefore moving it forward with a favorable response is violating your oath of office. Thankfully we the people now know who is consistently engaged in this violation and who is not.

Requesting that you follow your oath of office, do your sworn duty and do not pass this bill forward – give it an **UNFAVORABLE** response.

OPPOSE This Bill.

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