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*Written Testimony of Katie Novotny in Support of HB1288*

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I am a member of multiple gun rights organizations. I am a certified Range Safety Officer and an avid firearms collector. I support HB1288.

Many persons considered disabled are at greater risk to be targeted for attacks. They may have physical limitations that prevent other means of defense or retreat. They may also face financial hardships that others do not because of their disability. This bill would ease the financial burden of receiving a Handgun Permit, which may be significant. This bill does not reduce the requirements. The requirement for training, proficiency, and background checks all remain in place. No one is less trained or vetted under this bill.

Because of these reasons, I request a favorable report.

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