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Speaker of the House/ Delegate Adrienne Jones  
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Good Morning,

As I resident and registered voter of Maryland I want to express my dismay that HB1021 was even created. It is completely unjust, vague , and obstructs multiple constitutional rights of Maryland citizens.

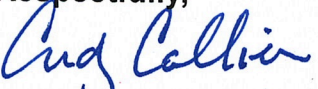
HB1021 "Public Safety – Licensed Firearms Dealers – Security Requirements" contains vague terms that leave the law open to interpretation on many levels. The bill proposes security requirements that are excessive and virtually unobtainable for the average firearms dealer. The penalties proposed are ridiculously severe and would financially destroy many businesses that attempt to comply.

HB1021 will prohibit Marylanders' Second Amendment rights to purchase firearms, as it will drive many licensed dealers out of state. Per Maryland laws, we can purchase regulated firearms out of state, but still need to have them shipped to a licensed dealer within the state to take possession. This bill effectively blocks our 2A rights in many ways.

Under District of Columbia v. Heller (2008) and McDonald v. City of Chicago (2010), law-abiding citizens have a 2A right to acquire or purchase firearms. The Second Amendment confers the ancillary right to sell firearms to these law-abiding citizens. HB1021 will prohibit and impede my right to obtain and own firearms on top of the already ridiculously strict laws impacting law-abiding Maryland citizens. Criminals do not care about new laws.

HB1021 is unfavorable to the Second Amendment rights of all law-abiding citizens of Maryland. Please do not approve this bill.

Respectfully,

 3/1/22  
Cindy Collier