

Hello Commission Members,

I ask that you strike current Senate Bill 1 that restricts Legal Maryland Wear & Carry Permit Holders. I strongly oppose this bill and how it restricts the rights of law-abiding citizens in Maryland to have the ability to defend themselves with a firearm. With all the numerous laws in place to control the illegal use of firearms you do not need to restrict the legal carry permit holders rights any further. IF the criminals were held accountable for breaking the law this state would be much safer. This SB1 will not help stop crime or make anyone safer. Criminals don't care what laws you make to restrict "guns" other than when they know the law-abiding citizen can't legally carry a firearm then the criminal knows it is safer to commit a crime. The more "gun free zones" you create the more places a criminal is safe to do crime.

The state of Maryland has gun control all wrong, it should allow law-abiding citizens to wear & carry a firearm unrestricted within the state. When the people that are criminals know that there is the real possibility that their next mark might be carrying a firearm they will think twice before committing a crime. This bill only hurts the citizen that is living within the law, not the criminals that will carry a "gun" anyway. My name is Keith Collier US Citizen and Registered voter in Washington County MD

Thank you for your time,

Keith Collier