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TESTIMONY ON HB#/0315 - POSITION: FAVORABLE
Regulated Firearms – Department of State Police – Reporting Requirements

TO: Chair Clippinger, Vice Chair Bartlett, and members of the Judiciary Committee

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My name is Richard Keith Kaplowitz. I am a resident of District 3. I am submitting this testimony in support of HB#/0315, Regulated Firearms – Department of State Police – Reporting Requirements

This bill is critical if we are to find and identify where and who are committing crimes involving firearms so that we can surge resources intelligently to deal with the situation and make a positive change in outcomes. It will assist our police forces in concentrating their efforts where they are most needed and where they can be most effective. You cannot make decisions without proper data and this bill will assist in making the correct allocations of personnel and other community resources to have the best effect.

The protection of the community requires concentration into areas that most need and can most benefit from that concentration. Proper data collection and reporting is a vital component for the decision making required. **I respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on HB#/0315.**