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I am writing in opposition to HB 937 – Sales and use Tax – Firearms, Firearm Accessories and Ammunition.

This bill is nothing short of targeted discrimination against a class of Maryland residents. There is no justification for the sales tax to be doubled on firearms and accessories other than to make purchasing them unobtainable to most Maryland residents. Governor Moore's slogan for Maryland is "no one left behind", this bill would certainly leave many Marylanders behind. This would hurt not only firearm owners but also firearm dealers, most likely causing many to go out of business due to decreased sales. This bill is nothing short of the marginalization of a specific class of citizens in Maryland and should not be passed.

I strongly oppose HB 937 and I encourage members of committee to vote unfavorably on HB 937 and not let it pass committee.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles Knaggs', with a stylized, cursive script.

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