

Dear Denise,

I'm writing in opposition to H.566; H.567; and H.568

These charter changes are problematic on their face, as they infringe on the rights of ALL law abiding gun owners. Instead of isolating out those few who are either irresponsible or are not law abiding people, such legislation instead impacts on ALL responsible and law abiding Vermonters, abridging our rights secured by the Vermont Constitution (and the US Constitution).

These charter changes are knee jerk reactions to your fear. Understandable.

However, they are misdirected.

When countenancing a violent car accident, with death resulting, at the hands of a drunk driver, do you legislate against Motor Vehicles? Alcohol? Gasoline? It is ONLY the individual who operates under the influence that needs guidance AND consequence.

The fact is, the Vermont Sportsmen's Bill of Rights protects Vermonters firearm rights. These charter changes violate those rights. If you really think there is a problem with the VT Sportsmen's Bill of Rights, move to change it. Its irresponsible and improper for you to ignore and ride roughshod over it, leaving yourselves (and all of us) subject to the challenging law suit with would inevitably follow such a misdirected action.

Respectfully,

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