I am writing the senate judiciary committee (and wish to have this in the record) to please hold a public hearing on this S.55 bill. It is not the same bill that passed the senate. It will have serious impacts on Vermonters and visitors to our state. It is a defacto ban on many common firearms because it bans the magazines they require for their function. Most modern handguns are designed to hold more than 10 rounds. Even an 1873 Winchester lever action rifle is banned as it reads today because these rifles have a fixed tubular magazine holding more than 10 rounds. My own personal pistol is a small CZ-82. The only magazines made for it hold 12 rounds. I can't get new magazines for it if this passes. I can't sell the gun as a functional firearm if this passes because sale or transfer of the magazines would be banned. Even inheritance is banned. I feel this constitutes a taking of property without due process and just compensation by the government. So there are more than just second amendment issues with this bill. The U.S. Supreme Court has held that all "bearable arms in common use" are protected by the second amendment (Caetano v. Mass. https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/15pdf/14-10078_aplc.pdf) and therefore this violates the second amendment. I do not see how this will solve any problem either. The Florida killer used 10 round magazines. I feel our focus should be on who has firearms not what firearm people have as well as effective school security.

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