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Subject: Testimony SB1617, SD1 (SSCR 659) Relating to limiting civil liability

I strongly support and urge you to support this bill. This bill would codify and make law the old concept that when a person commits a felony and the victim defends himself and the felon is injured or killed, that the felon's actions provide a civil shield against liability from lawsuits filed by either the felon or his estate. This is good public policy as the victim has already been victimized once and any lawsuit would seek to revictimize the victim, essentially harassing him for protecting his life, family and home. There is no good reason why the felon or his estate should profit by his crimes if the victim employed his natural right to self defense to protect his life, family and home. This bill would protect those victims and lessen offensive lawsuits by felons against victims.

Sincerely,

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