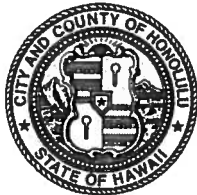


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March 8, 2018

The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair
and Members
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental,
and Military Affairs
State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 229
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nishihara and Members:

**SUBJECT: Senate Resolution No. 7 and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9,
Requesting the Congressional Delegation of Hawaii and the United States
Congress to Oppose "Concealed Carry Reciprocity"**

I am David Nilsen, Captain of the Records and Identification Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports Senate Resolution No. 7 and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9, Requesting the Congressional Delegation of Hawaii and the United States Congress to Oppose "Concealed Carry Reciprocity."

Hawaii has carefully crafted its own laws relating to the concealed carry of firearms. These laws grant the county chiefs of police the authority to issue a license to carry a concealed firearm in exceptional cases where the applicant shows reason to fear injury to their person or property. These licenses are only valid within the county where they are granted. Honolulu currently has no active concealed carry licenses.


Hawaii's concealed carry laws are specifically tailored to our needs and our desires in creating a safe community. Forcing Hawaii to accept the lowest minimum standard for concealed carry creates a contradiction between the standards required for state residents and visitors to the state. This is not in the interest of public safety for the people of Honolulu. Additionally, the numerous local permit formats would make enforcement virtually impossible, as officers would have great difficulty determining the validity of a permit issued in another state or locality.

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We believe that the proposed "concealed carry reciprocity" legislation is both impractical and contrary to the interest of public safety for the people of Honolulu and, therefore, strongly oppose them.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,


David P. Nilsen, Captain
Records and Identification Division

APPROVED:


Susan Ballard
Chief of Police

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 10:52:32 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Troy Matias | Testifying for 2A Hawaii | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Aloha

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVERTURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Troy Matias

VOTER

Waipahu, HAWAII

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 1:48:30 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Kainoa Kaku | Testifying for Hawaii Rifle Association | Oppose | No |

Comments:

It is absolutely ridiculous that I can freely carry my concealed firearm in states I don't live in but can't be trusted to do it at home. Criminals are already carrying weapons and using those weapons to commit crimes on law abiding citizens. It's time to let us defend ourselves.

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Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:04:08 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Malia Kaku | Testifying for Hawaii Rifle Association | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/6/2018 11:03:28 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Brett Kulbis | Testifying for Honolulu County Republican Party | Oppose | Yes |

Comments:

As a law abiding Second Amendment supporter in Hawaii, I urge you to please oppose SCR 9 and SR 7.

The fundamental Right to Keep and Bear Arms should not end at the state line. National Concealed Carry Reciprocity would ensure that law-abiding citizens do not forfeit their ability to protect themselves as they travel from state to state, and it would also ensure that they could not be harassed or persecuted for exercising their constitutionally guaranteed rights in their travels.

Again, please oppose SCR 9 and SR 7. Mahalo.

Brett Kulbis, Chairman Honolulu County Republican Party



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Re: SR7

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Glenn Wakai , Vice Chair

Rosalyn H. Baker

Les Ihara Jr.

Laura H. Thielen

DATE: Thursday, March 8, 2018

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 229

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

Please vote **NO** on SR7

Not only should Hawaii legislators vote NO on SR7, they should instead, in light of the facts regarding public safety, do the exact opposite and immediately enact either “shall issue” or “permitless” open and concealed carry for law-abiding citizens.

Here's why:

The entire false underlying assumption and premise of this entire resolution is that law-abiding citizens who carry arms in public are dangerous to public safety. That this assumption and premise is false is clearly borne out by numerous analyses of the 16 million current concealed carry weapons permit or license holders and of those states that have no requirement at all in order for law-abiding citizens to bear arms in public for self-defense (See basic statistics and references below).

Nowhere is the erroneous assumption more egregiously present than in “Whereas” number two:

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii has allowed the concealed carry of firearms and has always applied its own standards, including authorizing issuers to deny permits to people who lack good moral character or good moral cause to carry concealed handguns;

This is not just a “misstatement of facts”, this is not merely a facade or charade or misrepresentation, this is a lie. More specifically a “lie of omission”.

The facts are that Hawaii DOES **NOT ALLOW CONCEALED CARRY OF FIREARMS**. Anyone who would claim otherwise is either woefully ignorant or deliberately obfuscating or plain lying about the facts.

Hawaii has “granted” four (4) CCW licenses in the past 18 years since record keeping was mandated. Maui PD claims that the records for the two issued by them in 2001 are no longer extant, so we have no information at all about who received those licenses or why. The other two were issued by Kauai PD, one in 2006 to a judge, and one in 2013 to an apparent active duty military member or a member of their family (that was valid for 12 DAYS). By the way, both of these licenses were issued outside the bounds of the legal requirements of the HRS definitions regarding issuing and renewing CCW licenses. In other words the only two licenses that we know about, issued to government agents by government agents, were issued illegally. Please contact me if you want to see the supporting documentation for those claims that I acquired via the Uniform Information Practices Act and my appeal under that statute after KPD refused to issue any information at all regarding their illegal issuance.

So the only two people in 18 years that we know of who were “granted” licenses to bear arms in public for self-defense were both agents of the government. In other words, not one single “ordinary citizen” of the state has been granted a license in all those years, and possibly never as far as we can determine.

In a personal communication from Hawaii County Police Chief Kubojiri in response to my queries he stated that as Chief he never granted any licenses, and that in the 25 years he served on the force he never heard of any licenses being issued prior to the mandatory reporting in 2000, and that he had never heard of any license EVER being issued in the county.

So the above information and facts put the lie to the claim that “**the State of Hawaii has allowed the concealed carry of firearms**”, unless someone would want to disingenuously claim that issuing two licenses in 18 years to government agents proves that “**the State of Hawaii has allowed the concealed carry of firearms**”. I believe any half-way honest person would conclude that is deceptive at best if not an outright lie.

So what does that mean given the stated criteria that Hawaii supposedly applies in determining the fitness of a citizen to bear arms in public for self-defense? Just look at what this resolution claims in the second half of that sentence claiming that Hawaii allows the concealed carry of firearms:

...authorizing issuers to **deny** permits to people who **lack good moral character or good moral cause** to carry concealed handguns...

We must conclude that not one single ordinary person (not an agent of the state) in the entire state of Hawaii is of “good moral character” or has “good moral cause”. Is that what the government of Hawaii thinks of its law-abiding citizens? Apparently so. Is that sad or reprehensible? I have repeatedly asked various government agents in the legislature, executive branch, and law enforcement to please explain what it is about the people of Hawaii that would make them so “dangerous” to carry arms in public while in 42 other states there are no law enforcement problems with licensees, and likewise no problems with people allowed to carry in states that have no requirements at all, i.e. so-called “permitless” or “Constitutional carry” states. No one will answer that question. Why? Why are the

people of Hawaii too immature or irresponsible or incompetent when we see no such evidence in any other state? In fact, CCW **permit holders are convicted of misdemeanors and felonies at less than a sixth the rate for police officers.** (See below for full stats and links to original documentation.) How is it that Hawaii officials responsible for subverting the right to bear arms outside the home for self-defense have come to the exact opposite conclusion of the known facts?

Nor will Hawaii legislators, executive branch members and law enforcement answer how it is that they are not violating their sworn (or affirmed) oaths of office to uphold both the Constitution of the United States of American and the Constitution of the State of Hawaii regarding the “right to keep and bear arms” when no one is allowed to bear arms outside the home for self-defense, and self-defense having been determined to be “the core of the Second Amendment. Hawaii's constitution has the identical wording as the U.S. Constitution, and is ironically entitled “THE RIGHT TO **BEAR ARMS**”, in a state where not one single person is allowed to bear arms in the connotation made clear by history and the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS).

From the *Heller* SCOTUS decision (written by Scalia):

At the time of the founding, as now, to “bear” meant to “carry.”... When used with “arms,” however, the term has a meaning that refers to carrying for a particular purpose—confrontation. In *Muscarello v. United States*, 524 U. S. 125 (1998) , in the course of analyzing the meaning of “carries a firearm” in a federal criminal statute, Justice Ginsburg wrote that “(s)urely a most familiar meaning is, as the Constitution’s Second Amendment ... indicate(s): ‘wear, bear, or carry ... upon the person or in the clothing or in a pocket, for the purpose ... of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person.’ ” *Id.*, at 143 (dissenting opinion) (quoting *Black’s Law Dictionary* 214 (6th ed. 1998)).

From the Hawaii state constitution:

Article I

RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

Section 17. A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. [Ren Const Con 1978 and election Nov 7, 1978]

From the United States Constitution:

Amendments to the Constitution

Bill of Rights

Amendment II

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Thus, by both the Hawaii state and Federal constitutions, which all Hawaii legislators and elected officials (governor, etc.), and some unelected/appointed officials (police chiefs, AG, etc.) have sworn an oath to uphold and defend both constitutions, neither the federal nor state (via *McDonald* extending *Heller's* protections against the states' infringement) governments may infringe on the pre-existing right to self-defense via ‘wear[ing], bear[ing], or carry[ing] ... upon the person or in the clothing or in a pocket, for the purpose ... of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person’, independent of location (inside or outside the home).

Since almost none of the Hawaii legislators have taken measures to oppose the existing Hawaii statutory scheme which de facto denies every single citizen of the state the right to lawfully 'wear, bear, or carry ... upon the person or in the clothing or in a pocket, for the purpose ... of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person', nor have they taken measures to overturn said de facto ban by introducing and supporting legislation to allow for the unfringed exercise of said right, nor have they advocated for nor passed any resolutions to impeach the governor and AG nor demand that they remedy the situation, nor have they asked or demanded that county police chiefs change their de facto no issue policies, nor will they even answer the question "What does your sworn oath to uphold the right to 'wear, bear, or carry ... upon the person or in the clothing or in a pocket, for the purpose ... of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person' mean, anyway?"

We know that not only does Hawaii believe that none of its citizens have "good moral character" or "good moral cause" to be armed outside their home for self-defense, but also that one of the arguments against ordinary citizens carrying weapons in public is that it will lead to an increase in crime, including a "wild west" atmosphere where people instigate shootings over fender benders and parking places. (Florida was disparagingly labeled "the Gunshine State" by "gun control"/civilian disarmament advocates when it became the first state to mandate "shall issue" CCW in 1987. In the past 30 years Florida has issued over 1.4 million licenses without any indication that those licensees have gone wild in the streets... to the contrary.) This is belied and contradicted by the 30 years of experience of (now) 15 million people carrying in states having "shall issue" CCW laws, where any person that passes a background check and is not a "prohibited person", and thus able to purchase a firearm, is eligible and "shall" be issued a CCW license without having to meet any elevated or additional criteria (with the exception in a few states of training criteria). In fact, the attached study makes clear that CCW licensees are much more law abiding than cops. So the evidence is clear, "shall issue" CCW does not pose a risk to "public safety". Off-duty cops pose a 6 TIMES greater risk to "public safety". (The government legal argument against "shall issue" concealed carry is based upon the government having "a compelling interest" in "public safety", and only needs to show that their laws and policies by some particular level of scrutiny (rational, intermediate, or strict) fulfill that government interest without infringing on civil rights. For Hawaii, the de facto ban on CCW and open carry for ordinary citizens has been ruled non-infringing under rational scrutiny, the lowest level.)

I've asked the local and state level legislators and law enforcement, who adamantly refuse to allow the lawful exercise of the right to bear arms outside the home for self-defense, to provide me with the evidence that leads them to conclude that law-abiding Hawaii citizens are in some significant way different that the citizens of the rest of the United States and are too irresponsible or immature or whatever it is that makes them unsuitable to exercise the right millions of other citizens do without incidents of jeopardizing "public safety". I have never received a single reply to my queries, much less a reply with evidence.

Immediately below I've included one brief section of the attached report (https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3004915#), re the law-abiding character of CCW licensees nationwide (at least where such statistics are available) and highlighted several points.

Permit Holders are Extremely Law- abiding

Permit holders on rare occasion violate the law. But in order to truly appreciate how incredibly rare those problems are one needs to remember that there are over 12.8 million permit holders in the US. Indeed, it is impossible to think of any other group in the US who is anywhere near as law-abiding.

To get an idea of just how law-abiding concealed handgun permit holders are, compare them to police. According to a study in Police Quarterly, the period from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007 saw an average of 703 crimes by police per year. 113 of these involved firearms violations. This is likely to be an underestimate since not all police crimes receive media coverage. The authors of the study may also have missed some media reports.

So how law-abiding are police? With about 685,464 full-time police officers in the US at that time, that translates into about 103 crimes by police per hundred thousand officers. For the US population as a whole over those years, the crime rate was 37 times higher --3,813 per hundred thousand people. Perhaps police crimes are under-reported due to leniency from fellow officers, but whatever the reason the gap between police and the general citizenry is so vast that this couldn't account for more than a small fraction of the difference.

Concealed carry permit holders are even more law-abiding. Between October 1, 1987 and June 30, 2015, Florida revoked 9,999 concealed handgun permits for misdemeanors or felonies. This is an annual rate of 12.8 per 100,000 permit holders. In Texas in 2013, the last year the data is available, 158 permit holders were convicted of misdemeanors or felonies – a rate of 22.3 per 100,000. Combining the Florida and Texas data together implies that **permit holders are convicted of misdemeanors and felonies at less than a sixth the rate for police officers.**

Firearms violations among police occur at a rate of 16.5 per 100,000 officers. Combining the data for permit holders in Florida and Texas, it is only 2.4 per 100,000. **That is only 1/7th the rate for police officers.** The data are similar in other states.

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One can only conclude from those extensive statistics that “public safety” would be enhanced by disarming police officers and allowing any law-abiding citizens who so chose to bear arms in public.

Given all the above (which is just a tiny sampling of the data and arguments that put the lie to the SR7 Resolution premises and assumptions) I urge you to base your decision here on a rational examination of the facts and evidence. Vote NO on SR7.

Furthermore I urge you to instead adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, all Hawaii state legislators have sworn (or affirmed) an oath of office that they “will support and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Hawaii”; and

Whereas, the Constitution of the United States includes the Second Amendment which reads, “A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed”; and

Whereas, the Constitution of the State of Hawaii includes Article 1, Section 17, which reads, “A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed”; and

Whereas, the Supreme Court of the United States has clearly articulated in *Washington, D.C. v. Heller*, and confirmed and restated in *McDonald v. City of Chicago* the fundamental, individual, inalienable nature of the civil right to keep and bear arms; and

Whereas, the right to “bear arms” has been defined in the above cases, as “guarantee[ing] the individual right to possess and carry weapons in case of confrontation.”; and

Whereas, In *Muscarello v. United States*, 524 U. S. 125 (1998) , in the course of analyzing the meaning of “carries a firearm” in a federal criminal statute, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote that “[s]urely a most familiar meaning is, as the Constitution’s Second Amendment ... indicate[s]: ‘wear, bear, or carry ... upon the person or in the clothing or in a pocket, for the purpose ... of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person.’ ”; and

Whereas, a significant portion of violent crimes against individuals, such as robbery, assault, sexual assault, etc. take place outside the home; and

Whereas, not one single person in the entire State of Hawaii currently has the lawful ability to bear a firearm outside their home for the purpose of “of being armed and ready for offensive or defensive action in a case of conflict with another person.”; and

Whereas, only four (4) licenses to carry a concealed weapon (CCW) have been issued in the entire State of Hawaii by the county police chiefs granted authority to issue such licenses in the past 18 years since reporting of applications and dispensation of such licenses has been mandated by the state Office of Attorney General; and

Whereas, not one single “open carry license” (OCL) has been granted to a single law-abiding citizen not employed as a security guard in the entire State of Hawaii in the past 18 years since reporting of such license applications and dispensations has been required by the Office of the Attorney General; and

Whereas such a de facto “no issue” policy is tantamount to an outright “ban” on the right to “bear arms” as defined by the Supreme Court of the United States, and thus violates the supreme law of the land which you have sworn (or affirmed) to “support and defend”; and

Whereas, you, as a state legislator have the ability to uphold your sworn (or affirmed) oath of office by proposing, co-sponsoring, supporting, and voting for laws that will uphold the rights of “the people” as prescribed in the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Hawaii; and

Whereas, forty-four (44) other states of the United States already have “shall issue” concealed and/or open carry laws wherein people who pass background checks and are lawfully allowed to purchase and keep firearms are issued licenses to bear those arms without any issues of “public safety” being jeopardized; and

Whereas twelve (12) states already have “permitless” or “Constitutional” carry, where citizens may lawfully carry firearms without any need to apply or receive “permission” from any government agency in those states and there has been absolutely no issue of jeopardized “public safety”;

Therefore, you, as a legislator do hereby state your support for and willingness to use whatever lawful means are at your disposal as an elected representative of “the people” to amend and revise the laws of the State of Hawaii to align them with the law regarding bearing arms as stated in the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Hawaii; and

Therefore you pledge to support, introduce, co-sponsor and/or vote for legislation that guarantees that the law-abiding citizens of Hawaii “shall” be granted licenses, or shall not be required to obtain any

license from any government agency, to lawfully carry weapons, including firearms, either concealed and/or openly for the purpose of self-defense outside their homes.

Thank you,
George Pace



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March 7, 2018

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara
Chair, Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
Sent Via Email

Re: Senate Concurrent Resolution 9 and Senate Resolution 7 – OPPOSE

Dear Chairman Nishihara:

On behalf of the Hawaii members of the National Rifle Association I write to express our opposition to Senate Concurrent Resolution 9 and Senate Resolution 7.

SCR9 and SR 7 would urge the Congress of the United States to not enact S. 446, H.R. 38, or any other similar “concealed carry reciprocity” legislation that would require the State of Hawaii to recognize the concealed carry permits of every other state.

In the past 30 plus years America’s experience with concealed carry has been a resounding public safety success. As the number of carry permits has soared to more than 16 million, violent crime rates have dropped. Law-abiding citizens have proven to be just that, law abiding. Unfortunately in Hawaii and some other states, the ability for a law-abiding individual to cross state lines and exercise their inherent right to self defense is severely limited. Currently, Hawaii very rarely issues any concealed carry permits and fails to recognize any out of state permits.

Federal law already prohibits dangerous persons from possessing firearms, including those who are convicted of any felony or a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence, unlawful users of controlled substances, adjudicated mentally defective or committed to a mental institution, dishonorably discharged from the armed forces, citizens who have renounced their citizenship, and fugitives from justice. National reciprocity would not change that. It would recognize the ability of law-abiding citizens, who are eligible to carry firearms in other states throughout the country, to continue to exercise that right across state lines.

Thank you for your consideration and we ask that you oppose both SCR 9 and SR 7.

Sincerely,

Daniel Reid
State Liaison

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 3:53:10 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Brian Isaacson | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

The fact is that where the number of concealed carry permits go up, crime goes down. Good people who are armed and ready to respond to criminals can do so more rapidly than can any police force that has to be called to the scene. Hawaii has always treated its responsible citizens as colonial subjects when it comes to the right to keep and bear arms, and should not continue to do so. Responsible gunowners can save lives. Let us do so.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 4:15:03 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Drake Maverick | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Opposing concealed carry for law abiding and qualified citizens sets a dangerous precedence that local government does not respect the rights of individuals to protect themselves outside the home. Police cannot guarantee the safety of an entire population and response times could be critical. Concealed Carry in Hawaii must move from "May Issue" to "SHALL Issue".

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 4:18:17 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Kevin Kacatin | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Attacks at bus stops, assaults in parking lots, and the overall "street crime" on Oahu, most notably the attacks on tourists in Waikiki, are signs that ensuring the individual safety of the citizens and visitors cannot be "consolidated" by local government. Hawaii must explore becoming a true "SHALL ISSUE" state if the safety of the citizens is truly a concern for the elected representatives of this state.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 5:26:21 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Joel Berg | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

To whom it may concern,

The time for "shall issue" concealed carry in Hawaii is long overdue. The residents of this wonderful state are neither too stupid, too irresponsible, too timid, nor so well protected by the police that they should be denied this right.

Those with concealed carry permits visiting us from other states are by definition responsible, law abiding individuals. No individual who would otherwise be prohibited from owning a gun who enters Hawaii would be allowed to do so by concealed carry reciprocity.

I politely request that you reconsider your stance on the aptitude of both the Hawaiian Citizen and the Citizens of the United States.

Sincerely,

Joel Berg

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 9:00:36 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Jake Hanawahine | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I strongly oppose.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 9:01:03 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Jon Abbott | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Aloha,

I urge you to oppose this resolution, for it only hurts the ability of the most vulnerable members of our society to protect themselves. Concealed Carry offers the disabled, elderly, women, LGBTQ and other targeted minorities the best means to defend themselves against assault, rape, and other violence.

The simple fact is that Law Enforcement cannot be there to protect citizens. Even if they could, Law Enforcement has NO LEGAL DUTY to protect citizens, as was decided in the Supreme Court Case, Warren vs DC.

This resolution is a shameless political move that harms people by denying them their right to defend themselves outside their homes with the most effective tool developed to date- a firearm. While there is an argument to be made for tasers- those, too are illegal in this state.

I urge you as Law Makers to fully understand the unintended consequences of actions like this resolution will have. It is your duty to do so.

Respectively,

Jon

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 9:01:04 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Jonagustine Lim | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

CCW Reciprocity further supports the rights of law abiding citizens. I strongly oppose this bill.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 9:02:48 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Brendon Heal | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, **I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.**

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and **BEAR** Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, **OUTSIDE** of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is **UNCONSTITUTIONAL**, and **MUST BE OVER TURNED**.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or **DO NOT OPPOSE** concealed carry reciprocity.

Brendon Heal

VOTER

EWA BEACH, HAWAII

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Submitted on: 3/5/2018 9:45:17 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Seth Addison | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/5/2018 10:07:35 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Phil Ramil | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose this. I believe national reciprocity will make both Hawaii and the entire United States safer.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/5/2018 10:46:57 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Goldie Cross | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity. It only hurts the ability of the most vulnerable members of our society to protect themselves. Concealed Carry offers the disabled, elderly, women, LGBTQ and other targeted minorities the best means to defend themselves against assault, rape, and other violence.

The simple fact is that Law Enforcement cannot be there to protect citizens. Even if they could, Law Enforcement has NO LEGAL DUTY to protect citizens, as was decided in the Supreme Court Case, Warren vs DC.

This resolution is a shameless political move that harms people by denying them their right to defend themselves outside their homes with the most effective tool developed to date- a firearm. While there is an argument to be made for tasers- those, too are illegal in this state.

I urge you as Law Makers to fully understand the unintended consequences of actions like this resolution will have.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVERTURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Goldie Cross

Lihue, Hawaii

CD15-4

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 12:18:28 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Markos Cabaong | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I strongly oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Please consider that a citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is a constitutional right. DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Sincerely,
Markos C.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 12:56:27 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Keola | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I am a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVERTURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right and my right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Thank you,

Keola Esperas

Mililani Hawaii

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 4:43:54 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| William Ancheta | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I urge you to oppose this resolution, for it only hurts the ability of the most vulnerable members of our society to protect themselves. Concealed Carry offers the disabled, elderly, women, LGBTQ and other targeted minorities the best means to defend themselves against assault, rape, and other violence.

The simple fact is that Law Enforcement cannot be there to protect citizens. Even if they could, Law Enforcement has NO LEGAL DUTY to protect citizens, as was decided in the Supreme Court Case, Warren vs DC.

This resolution is a shameless political move that harms people by denying them their right to defend themselves outside their homes with the most effective tool developed to date- a firearm. While there is an argument to be made for tasers- those, too are illegal in this state.

I urge you as Law Makers to fully understand the unintended consequences of actions like this resolution will have. It is your duty to do so.

Respectively,

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 6:21:49 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| tony frascarelli | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I am opposed this resolution based on the language contained on page 1, lines 6-10 of the 1/24/2018 resolution. While Hawaii does have a concealed weapon process in the law, it is rare indeed for a resident to be granted a CCW permit upon application. Most residents applying to HPD for such a permit will be denied for not meeting the ill defined "good moral cause" requirement. Apparently ones desire to protect his/her loved ones from criminal elements is insufficient justification. Hawaii's answer to concealed weapons permits is to simply not issue them. I support concealed carry reciprocity at the federal level. Thank you.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 7:08:58 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Gavin Lohmeier | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Sincerely,

Gavin Lohmeier

voter, Honolulu Hawaii

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 7:29:11 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Warren808 | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVERTURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Warren

VOTER

EWA BEACH, HAWAII

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 7:48:19 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Andrew Namiki Roberts | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 8:51:19 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Elias Kona | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the right to Keep and bear Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, outside of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto ban on citizen's rights to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is unconstitutional, and must be overturned.

Restore the citizen's right to carry in this state.

Elias K. Kona

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 10:04:14 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| william racoma | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment and as the past several years have shown, Hawaii's police are unable to be everywhere to protect it's citizens at all times and the loss of innocent lives have occurred because of it. I do not want yself or my loved ones to become one of those statistic

Hawaii's BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED. RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

If not, please remove all armed security from and for any and all governmental buildings to prove you are as willing to become a victim just as you wish me and my family to be.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 10:27:13 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Bradd Haitsuka | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I strongly oppose this effort to infringe on the right to carry a concealed weapon. We are in an age where criminals in the state of hawaii are able to prey on unarmed victims, violent crimes are on the rise, law enforcement is unable to be everywhere to prevent this. I am asking that you allow national reciprocity to pass so that those that choose to carry can do so leagally and keep from becoming helpless victims for criminals.

Thank You,

Bradd Haitsuka

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 11:10:12 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Martin Marcello | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 11:44:39 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Austin White | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a resident of the State of Hawaii and of the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our United States Constitutions Bills of Right, along with the Hawaii Constitution (noted below), guarantees the right to keep and bear Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, is covered by that amendment.

In *United States v. Cruikshank* (1876), the U.S. Supreme Court recognized that the right to arms preexisted the Constitution and in that case and in *Presser v. Illinois* (1886) recognized that the Second Amendment protected the right from being infringed by Congress. In *United States v. Miller* (1939), the Court again recognized that the right to arms is individually held and, citing the Tennessee case of *Aymette v State*, indicated that it protected the right to keep and bear arms that are "part of the ordinary military equipment" or the use of which could "contribute to the common defense." In its first opportunity to rule specifically on whose right the Second Amendment protects, *District of Columbia v. Heller* (2008), the Court ruled that the amendment protects an individual right "to keep and carry arms in case of confrontation," not contingent on service in a militia, while indicating, in dicta, that restrictions on the possession of firearms by felons and the mentally ill, on the carrying of arms in sensitive locations, and with respect to the conditions on the sale of firearms could pass constitutional muster. In the 2010 case of *McDonald v. Chicago*, the Court applied incorporation doctrine to extend the Second Amendment's protections nationwide.

In commentary written by Judge Garwood in *United States v. Emerson*, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit concluded in 2001 that:

"...there are numerous instances of the phrase 'bear arms' being used to describe a civilian's carrying of arms. Early constitutional provisions or declarations of rights in at least some ten different states speak of the right of the 'people' [or 'citizen' or 'citizens'] 'to bear arms in defense of themselves [or 'himself'] and the state,' or equivalent words, thus indisputably reflecting that under common usage 'bear arms' was in no sense restricted to bearing arms in military service. See *Bliss v. Commonwealth*, 13 Am. Dec. 251, 12 Ky. 90 (Ky. 1822)."

Similarly, in a released Senate report on the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, Senator Orrin Hatch, chairman, U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on the Constitution, states:

“They argue that the Second Amendment's words "right of the people" mean "a right of the state" — apparently overlooking the impact of those same words when used in the First and Fourth Amendments. The "right of the people" to assemble or to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures is not contested as an individual guarantee. Still they ignore consistency and claim that the right to "bear arms" relates only to military uses. This not only violates a consistent constitutional reading of "right of the people" but also ignores that the second amendment protects a right to "keep" arms. "When our ancestors forged a land "conceived in liberty", they did so with musket and rifle. When they reacted to attempts to dissolve their free institutions, and established their identity as a free nation, they did so as a nation of armed freemen. When they sought to record forever a guarantee of their rights, they devoted one full amendment out of ten to nothing but the protection of their right to keep and bear arms against governmental interference. Under my chairmanship the Subcommittee on the Constitution will concern itself with a proper recognition of, and respect for, this right most valued by free men.””

As such and in the light of the noted precedence, Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED.

Please restore the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Austin White

MILILANI, HAWAII

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

PREAMBLE

We, the people of Hawaii, grateful for Divine Guidance, and mindful of our Hawaiian heritage and uniqueness as an island State, dedicate our efforts to fulfill the philosophy decreed by the Hawaii State motto, "Ua mau ke ea o ka aina i ka pono."

We reserve the right to control our destiny, to nurture the integrity of our people and culture, and to preserve the quality of life that we desire.

We reaffirm our belief in a government of the people, by the people and for the people, and with an understanding and compassionate heart toward all the peoples of the earth, do hereby ordain and establish this constitution for the State of Hawaii. [Am Const Con 1978 and election Nov 7, 1978]

FEDERAL CONSTITUTION ADOPTED

The Constitution of the United States of America is adopted on behalf of the people of the State of Hawaii.

ARTICLE I

BILL OF RIGHTS

RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

Section 17. A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. [Ren Const Con 1978 and election Nov 7, 1978]

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA – BILL OF RIGHTS

Amendment 2 - A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 12:11:55 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| David Soon | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose the opposition.

There is no valid reason oppose ccw reciprocity.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 1:13:13 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Jerry Yuen | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Do not oppose concealed carry reciprocity.

Concealed carry has been shown to be an effective deterrent against crime. Visitors to the State of Hawaii have a right to defend themselves should the need arise.

Jerry Yuen

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 1:51:43 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Eric Kaneshiro | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 1:55:38 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Allan Bacon | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I urge you to oppose this bill based on facts, rather than appeals to emotion. If you truly care about our kids and about our society you will look into the actual statistics surrounding CCW permit holders.

FBI crime stats show that in mass shooter situations where a law abiding CCW permit holder is present, the average number of deaths is decreased by nearly 84%.

According to the same source, CCW permit holders are less likely to commit crimes than off duty police officers.

There is much more vetting in the CCW process than even the standard gun license application processes. Extensive checks are performed. A prominent example being the recent Texas Church shooting that was stopped by a law abiding citizen with an AR-15. The perpetrator was flagged during the CCW vetting process even when he passed the NICS process where the Air Force failed to report his felony sexual assault.

Ultimately, CCW permit holders are the types of people we want to be carrying in public. They make the public safer, they make police safer, they make our home safer.

I hope you consider the actual facts when discussing this case rather than make a knee jerk reaction based on emotion. Please also remember your oaths of office that swore to protect the Constitution and Bill of Rights of American citizens.

In the immortal words of Ben Franklin: "Any society that would give up a little liberty to gain a little security will deserve neither and lose both." Unfortunately in this instance, it would mean both giving up liberty and losing security.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:02:55 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Alan Urasaki | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:04:01 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Mark Genovese | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

"States with CC have far less gun crime" FBI statistic . Stop treating the people of Hawaii like kids, we can take care of our self .

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:05:17 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Fred Delosantos | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Please OPPOSE this measure. The Hawaii congressional representatives should be supporting CONCEALED CARRY RECIPROCITY. Just because they have their own paid armed bodyguards to give them a sense of safety, what an elitist perspective, us po' folks here back at home do not enjoy the same luxury, and HPD does little to protect us. They only respond after the crime has been committed. That's like closing the barn doors after all the cows have left.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:40:55 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| RS Weir | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Strongly oppose SR7; we need CCW Reciprocity.

Randall S. Weir

Kapaa, Hawaii

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:46:10 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Carl Matthew Jellings | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Statistics show that when CCW is introduced its effect is a drop in criminal activity. I have no understanding as to why anyone would oppose it when it is required to go thru classes and be registered. CCW is used by the most law abiding citizens possible.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:55:58 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Anthony Fujii | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SUPPORT CCW!

I VOTE!

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:56:13 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Robert Peterson | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Please support the "Concealed Carry Reciprocity" Legislation. Thank you

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 2:59:38 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Michael Orr | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I support the right of law abiding citizens to self defense protection including but not limited to carrying a concealed firearms. The lame claim that Hawaii allows concealed carry needs the disclaimer "as long as they have a politician in their pocket or are ex law enforcement". Get in to the 21st century legislators!....CCW reciprocity is coming. IT IS OUR RIGHT as law abiding AMERICANS.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 3:19:34 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Chris Brown | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Concealed Carry should be allowed so that all citizens can protect themselves .

As it stands only the rich and congress are allowed concealed carry permits or body guards.

Restore our 2nd amendment rights please. Equal rights for all. Restore our right to defend our

families please. Thank you.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 3:30:01 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Forrest Shoemaker | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the Right to Keep and Bear Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, "Outside" of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto Ban on citizen's Rights to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is Unconstitutional, and Must BeOverturned.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or Do Not Oppose concealed carry reciprocity. We are watching your votes.

Forrest Shoemaker

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 3:50:52 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Jeffrey Lucas | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I urge you to oppose this resolution, for it only hurts the ability of the most vulnerable members of our society to protect themselves. Concealed Carry offers the disabled, elderly, women, LGBTQ and other targeted minorities the best means to defend themselves against assault, rape, and other violence.

The simple fact is that Law Enforcement cannot be there to protect citizens. Even if they could, Law Enforcement has NO LEGAL DUTY to protect citizens, as was decided in the Supreme Court Case, Warren vs DC.

This resolution is a shameless political move that harms people by denying them their right to defend themselves outside their homes with the most effective tool developed to date- a firearm. While there is an argument to be made for tasers- those, too are illegal in this state.

I urge you as Law Makers to fully understand the unintended consequences of actions like this resolution will have. It is your duty to do so.

Respectively,

Mr. Jeffrey Lucas

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 3:51:05 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| John R. K. Akina | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I urge you to oppose this resolution, for it only hurts the ability of the most vulnerable members of our society to protect themselves. Concealed Carry offers the disabled, elderly, women, LGBTQ and other targeted minorities the best means to defend themselves against assault, rape, and other violence.

The simple fact is that Law Enforcement cannot be there to protect citizens. Even if they could, Law Enforcement has NO LEGAL DUTY to protect citizens, as was decided in the Supreme Court Case, Warren vs DC.

This resolution is a shameless political move that harms people by denying them their right to defend themselves outside their homes with the most effective tool developed to date- a firearm. While there is an argument to be made for tasers- those, too are illegal in this state.

I urge you as Law Makers to fully understand the unintended consequences of actions like this resolution will have. It is your duty to do so.

Respectively,

John R. K. Akina

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 3:54:35 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| jason wolford | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I ask you DO NOT vote for this. By not allowing conceal carry reciprocity you are denying me and others the opportunity to protect our self from known threats that have been made on our life. Police can not be with us at all time like you as a politician get to enjoy safety and protection if your life had a threat like we do per the FBI.

You are just a citizen like me if I can not protect my self with the 2nd amendment then I ask you do not do as well and request all senators and representatives give up their secret service details.

Mahalo,

Jason T Wolford.

Mahalo,

Jason T Wolford

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 3:54:52 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Patrick Baltazar | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED.

As the past several years have shown, Hawaii's police are unable to be everywhere to protect it's citizens at all times and the loss of innocent lives have occurred because of it.

I do not want myself or my loved ones to become one of those statistic's.

DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

If you do not, please remove all armed security from and for any and all governmental buildings to prove you are as willing to become a victim just as you wish me and my family to be."

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Patrick Baltazar
VOTER

WAIPAHU, HAWAII

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 5:33:09 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Marlene Orr | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose this bill! Vote YES on CCW reciprocity. Bring CCW to Hawaii.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 5:34:20 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| robert gerwig | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I am FOR reciprocity. I am in opposition to these resolutions.

Robert Gerwig

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 5:36:46 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| tony lee | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

DO not support this

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 5:54:21 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Henry Bruckner | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Concealed carry has been found to significantly reduce crime. CC reciprocity will enhance public safety.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 6:59:26 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jerry Adams | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a resident of the State of Hawaii and of the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our United States Constitutions Bills of Right, along with the Hawaii Constitution (noted below), guarantees the right to keep and bear Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, is covered by that amendment.

In *United States v. Cruikshank* (1876), the U.S. Supreme Court recognized that the right to arms preexisted the Constitution and in that case and in *Presser v. Illinois* (1886) recognized that the Second Amendment protected the right from being infringed by Congress. In *United States v. Miller* (1939), the Court again recognized that the right to arms is individually held and, citing the Tennessee case of *Aymette v State*, indicated that it protected the right to keep and bear arms that are "part of the ordinary military equipment" or the use of which could "contribute to the common defense." In its first opportunity to rule specifically on whose right the Second Amendment protects, *District of Columbia v. Heller* (2008), the Court ruled that the amendment protects an individual right "to keep and carry arms in case of confrontation," not contingent on service in a militia, while indicating, in dicta, that restrictions on the possession of firearms by felons and the mentally ill, on the carrying of arms in sensitive locations, and with respect to the conditions on the sale of firearms could pass constitutional muster. In the 2010 case of *McDonald v. Chicago*, the Court applied incorporation doctrine to extend the Second Amendment's protections nationwide.

In commentary written by Judge Garwood in *United States v. Emerson*, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit concluded in 2001 that:

"...there are numerous instances of the phrase 'bear arms' being used to describe a civilian's carrying of arms. Early constitutional provisions or declarations of rights in at least some ten different states speak of the right of the 'people' [or 'citizen' or 'citizens'] 'to bear arms in defense of themselves [or 'himself'] and the state,' or equivalent words, thus indisputably reflecting that under common usage 'bear arms' was in no sense restricted to bearing arms in military service. See *Bliss v. Commonwealth*, 13 Am. Dec. 251, 12 Ky. 90 (Ky. 1822)."

Similarly, in a released Senate report on the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, Senator

Orrin Hatch, chairman, U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on the Constitution, states:

"They argue that the Second Amendment's words "right of the people" mean "a right of the state" — apparently overlooking the impact of those same words when used in the First and Fourth Amendments. The "right of the people" to assemble or to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures is not contested as an individual guarantee. Still they ignore consistency and claim that the right to "bear arms" relates only to military uses. This not only violates a consistent constitutional reading of "right of the people" but also ignores that the second amendment protects a right to "keep" arms. "When our ancestors forged a land "conceived in liberty", they did so with musket and rifle. When they reacted to attempts to dissolve their free institutions, and established their identity as a free nation, they did so as a nation of armed freemen. When they sought to record forever a guarantee of their rights, they devoted one full amendment out of ten to nothing but the protection of their right to keep and bear arms against governmental interference. Under my chairmanship the Subcommittee on the Constitution will concern itself with a proper recognition of, and respect for, this right most valued by free men."

As such and in the light of the noted precedence, Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED.

Please restore the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Jerry Adams Jr

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 7:52:53 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Peter J Long III | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVERTURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Peter J Long III

Registered VOTER

HONOLULU, HAWAII

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 9:01:19 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| R | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/6/2018 9:12:22 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| kabel gebeke | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/6/2018 9:14:22 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Dr Marion Ceruti | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose SR7 because I support 50-state and DC concealed-carry reciprocity. Driving is a privilege, not a right; yet all states recognize drivers licenses from other states. To keep and bear arms is a constitutional right, of which Hawai'i was aware when it joined the union. However, not all states recognize concealed carry licenses from other states. This leaves people vulnerable to criminal attack in places where concealed-carry permits and licenses are not recognized. People with concealed-carry licenses are 13 times less likely to commit a crime than those who are not licensed, and 6 times less likely to commit a felony than police. No one has anything to fear from law-abiding citizens who carry concealed. Criminals already carry whatever weapons they want. Law-abiding citizens should be at least as well armed as criminals. Society is safer when criminals don't know who is armed. A permit from Hawai'i is hard to obtain but it is recognized by several states on the mainland even though their permits are not recognized in Hawai'i. It's time for the state of Hawai'i and all other states to recognize the concealed-carry permits and licenses from other states. Show how much you support the US Constitution by voting NO on SR7.

The Rev. Dr. Marion G. Ceruti

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 9:22:15 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Cecil E. Haverty | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/6/2018 9:23:08 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Bruce F Braun | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 10:06:43 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Ramiro Noguero | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/6/2018 10:48:03 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Dwayne Lim | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose SR7. I will take responsibility to protect my family and myself in a life and death situation because The State of Hawaii doesn't has the resources to provide protection to every citizen of the state 24/7/365. The Office of the President of the United States has introduced the "concealed carry reciprocity" legislation as a right of the people and should not be opposed by Hawaii's congressional delegation.

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Submitted on: 3/6/2018 10:51:11 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Kelly Lim | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose SR7. I will take responsibility to protect my family and myself in a life and death situation because The State of Hawaii doesn't has the resources to provide protection to every citizen of the state 24/7/365. The Office of the President of the United States has introduced the "concealed carry reciprocity" legislation as a right of the people and should not be opposed by Hawaii's congressional delegation.

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 4:03:47 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Julie Folk | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 4:06:47 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Edward Gutteling, M.D. | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Meaningful self-defense is a human right.

When seconds count, police are minutes away.

The fundamental Right to Keep and Bear Arms should not end at the state line.

Currently, New York will arrest a Hawaiian citizen for transitting their state with a gun that is legal and permitted in a Hawaii. This is unjust.

National Concealed Carry Reciprocity would ensure that law-abiding citizens do not forfeit their ability to protect themselves as they travel from state to state, and it would also ensure that anti-gun jurisdictions such as New York could not harass or persecute travelers for exercising their constitutionally guaranteed rights.

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 4:34:03 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Silas Decker | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

To whom it may concern,

The time for "shall issue" concealed carry in Hawaii is long overdue. The residents of this wonderful state are neither too stupid, too irresponsible, too timid, nor so well protected by the police that they should be denied this right.

Those with concealed carry permits visiting us from other states are by definition responsible, law abiding individuals. No individual who would otherwise be prohibited from owning a gun who enters Hawaii would be allowed to do so by concealed carry reciprocity.

I politely request that you reconsider your stance on the aptitude of both the Hawaiian Citizen and the Citizens of the United States.

Sincerely,

Silas Decker

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 5:07:07 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jason | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity.

Our Bills of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

Jason

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 6:29:25 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Laurie Pang | Individual | Support | No |

Comments:

I support CCW repreciosity.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 7:32:38 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Todd Yukutake | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I am OPPOSED to SR7 because Concealed Carry Weapons is a right everyone should have.

I am a firearms instructor and retired military servicemember with concealed carry weapons permits from Nevada and Arizona. I was able to carry a weapon for self defense while deployed overseas and can currently carry a weapon in many other States on the mainland with my CCW permits which currently have State to State reciprocity over most of the US. I was fortunate that I have never been attacked while overseas or on the mainland. However I was attacked twice here at home in Hawaii. In Kalihi I was carjacked on the road after school one night. In Aiea I was robbed when a gang threatened me with a weapon, assaulted me, and attempted to get my wallet. Fortunately I was able to escape in both situations. I have friends and family who are also afraid of walking alone at night on their way home after work.

HAWAII DOES NOT ISSUE CCW PERMITS TO THE PUBLIC

The second paragraph in the bill "WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii has allowed the concealed carry of firearm..." is a lie. Hawaii has not issued any Concealed Carry Weapons permits for decades except for a couple that were erroneously issued. Please check with the local police departments and AG so that you can see the statistics for yourself. Or apply for a permit for yourself and see what the process is like. This is a violation of my civil rights. The reasons listed on the bill for denial of permits such as prior criminal history, domestic abuse, physical standards, determination of recklessness, etc are not the reasons used for denial. The HRA conducted a CCW drive where law abiding people applied for permits and none were granted.

THE POLICE WILL NOT ISSUE ANY CCW PERMITS TO THE PUBLIC FOR ANY REASON.

Please make a phone call to each of the police chiefs to ask why they will not issue any permits.

I am OPPOSED to SR7. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Todd Yukutake
Phone (808) 255-3066

99-207 Mahiko Place
Aiea, HI 96701

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 7:35:49 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Kelvin N Asahina, DDS | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I am opposed to SR7. People who legally own and train to safely carry a firearm (a requirement to get a concealed carry permit) should not be punished for wanting to be able to defend themselves against criminals who will never follow the law and do harm to others.

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 7:55:11 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Robert A Okuda | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 8:24:25 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| John Harper | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

voting for this bill only puts the law abiding citizen in jeprody.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 8:30:06 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Tom Galli | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

We are part of the United States. We recognize drivers licenses issued by other states, accept health insurance issued in other sates, honor checks written on banks from other states. National Reciprocity merely affirms that Hawaii respects the laws and rights defined by other states, and likewise has the reasonable expectation that other states will honor and respect our laws and rights.

If your intention is to keep concealed carry out of Hawaii, then change the wording of HRS 134 and ban it.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 8:55:08 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Paul Fukuda | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I strongly oppose this request. Law abiding citizens should be able to conceal carry to protect themselves.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 8:56:16 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Edward Sosta | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Honorable Senators: Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair, Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

As a citizen of Hawaii and the United States of America, **I oppose your opposition to concealed carry reciprocity** in reference to Senate Resolution 7.

Our Bill of Right guarantees the RIGHT to Keep and BEAR Arms. The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the right to carry a firearm, for the purpose of self-defense, OUTSIDE of the home is covered by that amendment.

Hawaii's defacto BAN on citizen's RIGHTS to carry a firearm outside of the home for legal purposes and self-defense is UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and MUST BE OVER TURNED.

RESTORE the citizen's right to carry in this state, or DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

As the past several years have shown, Hawaii's police are unable to be everywhere to protect it's citizens at all times and the loss of innocent lives have occurred because of it. I do not want myself or my loved ones to become one of those statistic's.

DO NOT OPPOSE concealed carry reciprocity.

If you do not, please remove all armed security from and for any and all governmental buildings to prove you are as willing to become a victim just as you wish me and my family to be.

Sincerely,

Edward A. Sosta

Citizen Soldier, Voter, Firearms Owner, Patriot and All around Nice Guy

Mali, HI

Life Member of the National Rifle Association, Member of the Hawaii Rifle Association, Member of the Hawaii Defense Foundation and Member of the Hawaii Historic Arms Association

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 9:03:51 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Bowen Dickinson | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 9:18:40 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Brad Pocock | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

He's no bump stocks and no mechanical trigger but what does this bill cover. I oppose this bill until you clean it up.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 10:11:53 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| davin asato | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Aloha,

As a law abiding Second Amendment supporter in Hawaii, I urge you to oppose SR7.

The fundamental Right to Keep and Bear Arms should not end at the state line. National Concealed Carry Reciprocity would ensure that law-abiding citizens do not forfeit their ability to protect themselves as they travel from state to state, and it would also ensure that they could not be harassed or persecuted for exercising their constitutionally guaranteed rights in their travels.

Again, please oppose SR7. Thank you.

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 11:48:29 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Phillip | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/7/2018 11:58:32 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Ryan Yamanaka | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose the oppositon to concealed carry by law abiding citizens in Hawaii. Violence by criminals against the people, and the failure of law enforcement to prevent such crimes only show that the people need the right to defend themselves in private or in public.as afforded to them by the 2nd amendment.

SR-7

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 12:19:03 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/8/2018 1:30:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| aaron shefte | Individual | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I require that you oppose this blatant and traitorous infringement upon my rights and will no be toleratetolerated