



**TESTIMONY OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2020**

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**ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:**

S.B. NO. 2518, RELATING TO FIREARMS.

**BEFORE THE:**

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND  
MILITARY AFFAIRS

**DATE:** Thursday, February 6, 2020                      **TIME:** 1:15 p.m.

**LOCATION:** State Capitol, Room 229

**TESTIFIER(S):** Clare E. Connors, Attorney General, or  
Amy Murakami, Deputy Attorney General

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Chair Nishihara and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General (Department) opposes this bill.

The purpose of this bill is to take the authority to grant licenses to carry concealed and unconcealed firearms from the county police chiefs and confer the authority to the Attorney General, but allows the country police chiefs to issue licenses to carry unconcealed firearms to persons employed by a guard agency.

In Hawaii, there is no state police. Instead, the county police chiefs are responsible for enforcing the law in their respective counties, which all have unique conditions and characteristics. The county police chief's innate knowledge of the county and the needs of the different communities is integral to the determination of whether the requirement of an "exceptional case" (i.e., "good cause") has been met. For example, the needs of a more rural county may differ from the needs of a more urbanized county, and the current law allows such differences to be considered.

The county police chiefs have the knowledge and resources to make concealed and unconcealed carry licensing determinations. The county police chiefs are currently responsible for regulating firearms as a whole, which includes issuing permits to acquire firearms, registration of firearms, and licensing for concealed and unconcealed carry of firearms. These functions are interrelated and require many of the same resources. For instance, an application for a license for concealed carry of a firearm would require

a background check that would have some of the same inquires as an application for a permit to acquire a firearm and would also require the verification that the applicant has a registered firearm.

This bill would require the Department to essentially duplicate the county police's infrastructure to process the applications for licenses to carry concealed and unconcealed firearms. Currently, the Department does not have access to the firearm records and incident reports kept by the county police. The bill does not provide for the necessary staffing and resources.

The bill also limits county-issued unconcealed carry licenses to persons employed by a guard agency. The current law provides that a person engaged in the protection of life or property may apply for a license to carry an unconcealed firearm, without such a limitation. It would be preferable not to limit unconcealed carry licenses in this manner because persons, who otherwise qualify for such licenses but do not work for a guard agency, may challenge it.

We respectfully ask the Committee to defer this bill.

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Dear Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Wakai, and Committee members:

Re: SB 2002 RELATING TO FIREARMS.

SB 2437 RELATING TO ELECTRIC GUNS.

SB 2518 RELATING TO FIREARMS.

SB 2519 RELATING TO FIREARMS.

SB 2635 RELATING TO FIREARMS AMMUNITION.

SB 2943 RELATING TO FIREARMS.

SB 3053 RELATING TO FIREARMS.

SB 3054 RELATING TO FIREARM REGISTRATION.

The First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States provides for freedom of religion, speech, and press; and the right to peaceably assemble and to petition the government. Yet, as fundamental and sacrosanct as those values are to America, few if any would argue that those freedoms are not subject to reasonable restrictions (take the cliché of “yelling ‘Fire’ in a crowded theater”).

Similarly, the Second Amendment guarantees the right to keep and bear arms. This right, too, must be subject to reasonable restrictions, or else we would each be able to have our own machine gun mounted on our mantelpiece or strapped over our shoulders.

So the question comes down to what is reasonable. That should be determined by a free people acting through their elected representatives, in this case our State Legislature. And given the times in which we live, and the carnage that we have witnessed both in our own state and across the country, I thank you for taking on the divisive but crucial task of deciding what reasonable restrictions might be.

You have seven bills on today’s agenda that would impinge on the right to keep and bear arms:

SB2002 would prohibit possession of a loaded firearm while intoxicated. One would hope that this is not a difficult issue on which to find common ground, though I expect some will disagree.

SB2518 implies that its adoption would make Hawaii's license-to-carry-firearms law stronger against attack in court. If this Committee finds that to be true, I support it. I have not been able to independently verify that assertion, and hope you will hear from the administration and other law enforcement.

SB2519 would prohibit large capacity magazines for all firearms. Such magazines are already restricted for pistols, and SB2519 might be the most important bill before you today, given the data on mass shootings that is set forth in the preamble of this bill.

SB2635 would regulate ammunition the same way firearms are regulated, and require the licensing of sellers of ammunition. It would seem that this proposal would be particularly valuable in the case of a firearm that is lost or stolen, but also in tracing ammunition that is used in a crime.

SB2943 would prohibit the assembly of a gun that would not have a serial number (a "ghost gun") and would mandate a serial number for firearms brought into Hawaii that do not already have one.

SB3053 would prohibit 50-caliber guns. I have seen these guns on YouTube and they are awesome-looking weapons. I cannot imagine a legitimate civilian use for them.

SB3054 would require notification when a firearm is moved out-of-state. This would be of some value, though perhaps limited. On the other hand, the burden on a gun owner seems minimal.

Can any of the restrictions contained in the seven bills be considered unreasonable? I have no doubt that some will say yes, but except for my questions about SB2518, I would argue that all of these bills would make Hawaii a safer place without unduly restricting the right to keep and bear arms.

There also is an eighth bill on the agenda, SB2437, relating to electric guns. I confess total ignorance on that subject, and therefore do not offer testimony on it.

Again, thank you for taking on these issues.

Respectfully submitted,

**Testimony of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards**

**Before the  
Senate Committee on  
Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs**

**Thursday, February 6, 2020  
1:15 p.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229**

**On the following measure:  
S.B. 2518, RELATING TO FIREARMS**

Chair Nishihara and Members of the Committee:

My name is Gregory Zambrano, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards (Board). The Board will review this bill at its next publicly noticed meeting on February 10, 2020.

The purposes of this bill are to: (1) establish the Attorney General's authority and clarify the respective county police chiefs' existing authority to grant licenses to carry concealed or unconcealed firearms; (2) specify training requirements for license applicants; (3) amend the fee from a per-license to a per-application basis; and (4) increase the fee.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

**INSTITUTE FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

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**NRA**

February 5, 2020

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 214  
Chairman, Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairman Nishihara:

On behalf of the members of the National Rifle Association in Hawaii, I would like to communicate our opposition to Senate Bill 2518 (SB 2518).

While we support the idea of making Concealed Carry Permits (CCPs) more available throughout the state, SB 2518 in reality does not constitute an adequate improvement of the CCP system. Rather it does nothing more than raise fees and institutes an unfair point of payment scheme by changing the fee from per-license to per-application.

It is hard to view SB 2518 as anything other than an attempt to dissuade residents from applying for a CCP. While disappointing, this is unsurprising considering Hawaii has only issued one permit since 2013. Despite this fact, as CCW rates have increased, crime has decreased. Permit holders have been proven to be more law abiding than the general public.

We encourage the members of the legislature to instead explore proposals that would truly reform the broken CCP system, and promote the Hawaiian citizenry's right to self-defense.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Reid".

Daniel Reid  
Hawaii State Director  
NRA-ILA



The Honorable Clarence Nishihara, Chair  
The Honorable Glenn Wakai,  
Vice Chair Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

State Capitol, Room 229  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

HEARING: Thursday, February 06, 2020, at 1:15pm

RE: SB2518 Firearms; Licenses to Carry; Fees

•Aloha Members of the Senate Committee,  
The Hawaii Firearms Coalition OPPOSES SB2518.

Hawaii Firearms Coalition is opposed to the changes being proposed to Hawaii's license to carry law for the following reasons;

- **Is still may issue.**
- **Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).**
- **\$150 of training required each year.**
- **Bans open carry for non-security guards.**

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HB1598, on the surface, seems like a good idea; it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply or even show a need. The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when run by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have taken the basic pistol course within the last six months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average, the cost of the pistol course is

\$150. This in combination with the license fee, would equate to a minimum of \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study, you look(A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages, Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year; this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget(B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for one year even on the low end of the estimate, the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states(C), that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license).

Andrew Namiki Roberts

Director Hawaii Firearms Coalition

[info@hifico.org](mailto:info@hifico.org)

(A) <https://www.dailysignal.com/2018/03/06/fact-check-what-percentage-of-americans-have-concealed-carry-permits/>

(B) [https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney\\_General\\_of\\_Hawaii](https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney_General_of_Hawaii)

(C) <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2013/rpt/2013-R-0048.htm>



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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jay Adams

Strongly Oppose sb2518 bill. Protect myself and my family from United States armed forces illegally occupying the Hawaiian Kingdom.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [anykinestuff@yahoo.com](mailto:anykinestuff@yahoo.com) or

The above testinony was written and submitted by Jay Adams

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 12:18:09 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Gena Whitten	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Important that all gun licenses require training and background check. Both concealed and unconcealed guns should be regulated for safety of public. Vote to support. Mahalo

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 12:00:59 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jennifer Azuma Chrupalyk	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:51:17 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Carl Matthew Jellings	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:00:28 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Alan Urasaki	Individual	Support	No

## Comments:

I am in support of the bill, however, having to pay \$100 per application, when a majority of the applications will be denied is just a money grab for the state. A licensing fee is fair.

**From:** [Ninja Forms TxnMail](#) on behalf of [Blaine Kawehi Loque](#)  
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**Subject:** Testimony in opposition to SB2518  
**Date:** Monday, February 3, 2020 8:50:43 PM

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Blaine Kawehi Loque

My name is Blaine Kawehi Loque from Maui County and I strongly oppose this bill.

The main issue with this bill is it's still "may issue" a permit. I have no faith in the police chief and/or AG issuing any permit to protect myself or my family.

The second issue is the huge amount of money it cost to apply and maintain a permit if you're so lucky to be issued one. As you know cost of living in hawaii is huge and making such steep cost to possibly be issued a permit is a huge burden in families. The people who are victimized the most and would benefit the most from carrying a firearm are low income people/families and its makes it really difficult for them to apply and maintain a permit.

Please oppose this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [m10blloqu@gmail.com](mailto:m10blloqu@gmail.com) or

The above testinony was written and submitted by Blaine Kawehi Loque

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 12:46:56 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Marcus Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

I oppose this because it does nothing but push the blame from the Chief to the AG. The key word is still "may issue" and not "shall issue". Currently Hawaii has issued ZERO permits to carry concealed or unconcealed to normal citizens for decades. Also extraordinary circumstance is subjective. So far no one has met this requirement either in decades.

Will the AG suddenly issue permits? The answer is no. I'm not holding my breath.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:09:04 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Judy Goo	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

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We are no against Conceal Carry, but much needs be changed in this bill.

Sincerely,

Dan Goo retired HPD, Sean Goo, Elisha Goo, Katherine Goo

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kyle Ragan

I oppose. You are attempting to limit magazine capacity to save lives, yet you are not allowing concealed or open carry which could do the same thing? This bill allows permit approval for “exceptional cases” only. Sadly, Hawaii is becoming a very dangerous place, which means the laws and law enforcement currently in place is not as effective as it should be. A quick search through recent news and you will find shootings, stabbings, burglaries, robberies, countless assaults... yet this bill will continue to prohibit law abiding citizens from protecting themselves from the growing number of dangerous criminals roaming the streets. Then, to add insult to injury, even if we are somehow considered to be an “exceptional case”, you force the individual to reapply annually and pay for annual training, literally forcing them to pay for their own protection. HPD is amazing, and I can’t thank them enough for all that they do, however, we all know that an officers response time can never be immediate, and they typically will arrive AFTER the incident has taken place. This bill continues to prevent Hawaii’s citizens from protecting themselves.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kylerragan05@hotmail.com](mailto:kylerragan05@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is James Rankin

Why remove the local law enforcement ability to single approval for CCW permits? I actually have no initial complaint against a formalized training requirements provided they are clearly outlined now and well in advance of any future bills. The raising of cost for a CCW is once again unfounded and further justification should be provided.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [heart4pahoa@gmail.com](mailto:heart4pahoa@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Barry Aoki

I OPPOSE SB2518.

The Attorney General's office should not have this authority. The Attorney General's office is already NOT complying with HR218 and made it tougher for qualified former law enforcement officers to be able to possess a concealed firearm.

The office of the Attorney General is anti-gun and does not support the law abiding gun owners.

OPPOSE SB2518

Sincerely,  
Barry Aoki

If you have any questions i can be reached at [barry.aoki@yahoo.com](mailto:barry.aoki@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Gener Macaraeg

This bill will not solve crimes committed by criminals. Criminals will not follow any laws, so it is pointless. This bill will affect lawful, good citizens, and infringe on their 2nd amendment rights. Please address crimes by other effective means. Please allow law abiding citizens to carry to protect themselves instead.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rambomack@aol.com](mailto:rambomack@aol.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jonathan Park

My dad was one of the victims of a car robbery by gun point. I'm not here to say that I necessarily want my dad to start carrying. That would be up to him. The robber currently has my dads old car keys, my current car keys, our old house keys, and he knows where we live. I can justify that he knows where we live because my car was entered without my permission without signs of break in. I would apply for a concealed carry license to be able to protect myself and my family in this time of need. Gunpoint robberies are getting more common in Hawaii. It is also public information that HPD is short handed and with that, I can see where people that want to commit crimes would start to not hesitate. After my dad's incident I heavily considered applying for a concealed carry permit, except for the fact that I would 100% waste my time and money. There has not been any carry permits issued in Hawaii. Not only would I be able to protect my family and I, but I would be able to protect others when nobody else can.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jparkkkk@yahoo.com](mailto:jparkkkk@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Cyril Moniz

This bill is a clear over reach of power and is intended to restrict my 2A rights. 2A already grants me permission.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [cyril.moniz@gmail.com](mailto:cyril.moniz@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Peter DIROCCO

This legislation places an undue fiscal burden on potential firearm purchasers and owners. It grants the Attorney General's office the ability to deny a citizen the right to bear a fire arm for self defense which is contrary to the SCOTUS, Heller case establishing and validating an individual's right to bear arms. The fees are confiscatory in nature and restrictive in practice. If the intent of the State was to ensure universal firearm proficiency, it would make police ranges open to all for free. The fee structure is also racist in nature since it will automatically exclude poor minorities from obtaining firearms legally.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [diroccozp@aol.com](mailto:diroccozp@aol.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is arte mccollough

I qualify under the Federal LEOSA law to carry a concealed weapon by virtue of serving with the Honolulu Police Department for a period of time that exceeds the LEOSA requirements. HPD has a "policy" that supersedes the Federal Law and after 3 attempts to obtain the "required, by the Attorney Generals Office, the ID card from HPD", and being denied the card, I'm wondering if this new law will permit me to meet the requirements? In the past, the AG's office said the "ID Card" is necessary to complete their requirement form, but no longer needed once they "see it"..... Also, in the past I have had a granted Permit to Carry from the Hawaii County PD, however, with the new Chiefs, they refuse to renew it, saying they don't issue permits anymore.....

If you have any questions i can be reached at [artemc71@gmail.com](mailto:artemc71@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is william mcgrath

licenses to carry a firearm are essentially not available in Hawaii except for "special" connected people. The 2d amendment requires "shall issue" rather than Hawaii's "may issue i.e. never."

Criminals have begun to target our kapuna knowing very well that they are frail and unarmed.

Carry permits should be always granted to non-criminal applicants who have had he required training.

Raising the fee for a right never granted, is truly pointless.

thank you.

William "Pili" McGrath, Wailuku

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mrpili23@gmail.com](mailto:mrpili23@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Gary Fuchikami

This bill is a waste of time because it does nothing to enhance firearm safety or protection of human life. It's merely a ploy to increase revenues for the State and give the impression of being more receptive to armed citizenry. The permits can still be in a "no issue" classification but keeping the money from those of us foolish enough to pay the money and NOT get a permit and having to spend countless dollars each year for keeping a permit. Perhaps you should have your HPD officers do more training so that they actually hit the target their shooting at instead of missing so much. Many of us have taken rigorous concealed carry classes that not only require classroom education but multiple live firing scenarios to practice various actions and techniques that are critical in an active shooter situation. So much so that we've earned a carry permit that allows us to carry in 30 or more U.S. states. Many of us actually have been better trained than your own police officers. Please reject this bill as it does nothing for public safety.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [wh6c@yahoo.com](mailto:wh6c@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is James Palicte

Aloha,

I am writing to provide testimony in opposition to HB1598. The reason that I am writing to oppose this legislation is that it still a, "may issue"-According to the constitution, this should be changed to a, "shall issue". This proposed bill also infringes on the 2nd amendment as it un-necessarily FINANCIALLY burdens those who are seeking to exercise their rights. As we all know, the cost of living in Hawaii is considerably higher than most states, so why are we seeking to increase the financial burden on those who are seeking to exercise a constitutional and natural right? I urge you to uphold your oaths of office and the United States constitution. Your constituents are watching closely.

Mahalo,

-James P.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [dewd019@gmail.com](mailto:dewd019@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jeffrey Babas

As much as I would like to see the people in Hawaii have a right to conceal carry firearms, this Bill is just a money maker for City or State. I have to oppose this Bill because of the fees that have to be paid, and it is still a "may issue" permit. I only paid \$60 for my permit which is accepted in most states and good for 5 years and a renewal fee of \$40. I did take a training course, but of my own free will, and it was not required for the permit.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jerubabas@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:jerubabas@hawaii.rr.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Traci Powers

I oppose this bill as it is still a may issue not shall issue. The fee is exceptionally high and non-refundable if a permit is not issued. Annual training fees of \$150 on top of the already high cost of other fees is too high, making it a financial burden to exercise your Constitutional 2nd Amendment right to keep and bear arms.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [traci@powersfitness247.com](mailto:traci@powersfitness247.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Lloyd Manamtam

This is only a prevention of law abiding citizens to apply for permit. Making it harder so that they won't have to deal with all the paperwork. Raising the fee is a money grab because they know we will continue to apply for this permit regardless.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ucanfindlloyd@gmail.com](mailto:ucanfindlloyd@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is shayne Pung

Hawaii is politically stupid..

If you have any questions i can be reached at [keahi\\_808@live.com](mailto:keahi_808@live.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Bobby Smith

It is a statistical fact that the states that have the right to conceal carry are safer than the states in which the politicians, not the criminals, in fact hold the citizenry hostage. Every citizen over the age of 18 has the inherent right to protect themselves, their property, and the family. And yet Hawaii has went far out of their way to ensure that no one is granted a concealed carry permit. That certainly doesn't make sense when this is a violation of a person's individual rights, as well as an opportunity for the Hawaii government to create additional revenue through proper licensing.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [smithkd1@yahoo.com](mailto:smithkd1@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Mark Wales

As you have seen on New Year's Eve. The fireworks go off. No laws stop criminal activity. Criminals do not follow the law. That is the definition of a criminal. So the laws you were trying to pass now. Are only going to affect law abiding citizens. And the right to defend themselves. Not the murder rate. Not criminal activity. Other than you're going to create Criminal opportunity for underground guns. We all know the police are too few in the state to protect anybody. Because of the aloha spirit in the state. We have low gun crime. So passing laws to make law abiding citizens felons. Is not the answer. It's easy and inexpensive to pass bad loss. Instead of setting up programs to help the The homeless, mentally ill, drug addicted, housing problems we have. The supreme court is on the cusp of passing and reaffirming the Second Amendment. You're wasting all of our time. But of course the only thing you were trying to do right now. Is a lemonade the second amendment. We have all seen what happens in countries where only the government, and Criminals have the guns. We the people are the government. That's why We the people have the guns.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mamapeer@yahoo.com](mailto:mamapeer@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Ivan ayau

Another bill aimed at making it more difficult for that law abiding to protect themselves. The criminals don't apply for permits to carry.

If you have any questions I can be reached at [if.ayau@gmail.com](mailto:if.ayau@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Samuel Levitz

Oppose

Make the fee payable ONCE the permit gets approved

If you have any questions i can be reached at [sailorsaml@gmail.com](mailto:sailorsaml@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Cory Yuh

I STRONGLY OPPOSE

The state is still may issue and not guarantee the approval of the permit. The fee is \$100 for the APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit). \$150 of training required each year. And this band open carry for security guards.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [cyuh2@hotmail.com](mailto:cyuh2@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Josiah Karnuth

Any law restricting an American citizen's second amendment right is unconstitutional.

Lawmakers should be working to promote and sustain our freedoms, not diminish and remove them. Do not make the many law abiding citizens who choose to practice their second amendment right into criminals. It is a proven fact that restrictive firearm laws do not improve public safety, in fact they help to further endanger the public. Please reject any and all bills that will infringe on our right as Americans to keep and bear arms. Mahalo.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [thekarnuths@gmail.com](mailto:thekarnuths@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is steven kumasaka

OPPOSE

Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).

\$150 of training required each year. (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).

If you have any questions i can be reached at [macsak@gmail.com](mailto:macsak@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Nathan Roldan

I oppose this bill. I raises the fee for applications but it still may issue a permit. All other states that have legal carry shall issue.

If you have any questions i can be reached at nr24769@hotmail.com or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Christopher Tanouye

I oppose this bill because it will not change anything. The state is still a may issue and no one has been granted a concealed carry permit in a long time. This bill also makes a concealed carry permit cost prohibitive. \$250 dollars a year may be difficult for a lower income person to afford especially in this state. This will make obtaining a concealed carry permit for self defense for a low income citizen difficult.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [chris.tanouye@gmail.com](mailto:chris.tanouye@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Joshua Sykes

I oppose SB2518. This bill is still may issue in violation of the Second Amendment and disproportionately effects lower income citizens from exercising their rights. I can not afford another 150 dollars a year to protect my family.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [sykesjoshua@aol.com](mailto:sykesjoshua@aol.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jake Hanawahine

Oppose

If you have any questions i can be reached at [da808rock@yahoo.com](mailto:da808rock@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Roy Marrotte

Stongly oppose. It cost 100 dollars to apply(you pay this even if you don't get the permit). 150 dollars of training each year, it shoul be every five years.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [tiffnkimo@yahoo.com](mailto:tiffnkimo@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Marshall Ignas

"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."

When your average Hawaii resident wants to buy a firearm, s/he must jump through a number of hoops through which very few Americans must jump.

- 1) s/he must get permission from the state to acquire a firearm. (Infringement) This usually takes about 2 weeks.
- 2) once the state allows us to purchase a firearm, we must return to get it registered at the main police station within 5 calendar days. By the way, HPD's main station isn't open on Saturdays or Sundays, so you realistically only have a few days to do so.
- 3) you must go to the police station with your weapon and have them register it. I don't know if you've been to the police station or talked to the police, but most of the folks at HPD don't know a lot about guns. If you don't believe me, you can ask a police officer what the muzzle velocity and maximum effective range of a round from his service pistol is. The main police station isn't always open for new firearms registration and with gun laws being what they are in this state already, this means if you live on the west side, you're either going to have to get the day off/call in sick or find some other arrangement. This translates to lost wages. Hawaii is one of the most expensive places to live, so this prices out your average citizen a lot of the time.

Each permit to acquire is \$40. Sure, that isn't much compared to the cost of a gun, but it is entirely classist to charge one for every purchase. Additionally, let's think about the gall you'd have to have to charge somebody \$40 to infringe on his constitutionally protected right, then make him miss a day of work trying to be in compliance with the law. And you know who's not going to cooperate with you? The criminals.

I strongly oppose this bill.

Thank you,

Marshall Ignas

If you have any questions i can be reached at [zignas@mac.com](mailto:zignas@mac.com) or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Royce Luna

This bill is unfair. To pay for an application whether you get a permit or not sound like a money grab. That is criminal.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [roluna2@yahoo.com](mailto:roluna2@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Miki Jones

Aloha, I STRONGLY OPPOSE this bill and the many to come. This is unconstitutional, violates the second amendment, and is not something you can charge an American citizen to pay for a right that is ours. The People. Why would you consider this, you are going to hurt mothers, grandmothers, kids, and husbands, especially single-mothers who can't afford to live in this expensive state. This bill violates our rights and the American way of life. I oppose this down right attack on our rights. Get your act together politicians. Mahalo.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ambubunny@gmail.com](mailto:ambubunny@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is ALEXANDER IBI

Why is this still a "may" issue and not a "will" issue. I will jump through all of the hoops if you can say that I will be able to obtain a permit at the end. If criminals can carry a gun, then why can't a law abiding, registered gun owner not carry a gun?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [honkykatonky@gmail.com](mailto:honkykatonky@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Rex Ito

This bill I'm totally opposed. The 9th circuit court again has said Hawaii's law was unconstitutional. Why keep it a "may state"? Let's make it a shall states with qualifications for a safety class and the background check and requalification at the range of say every 5 years. The bill is too much in cost. Why are we, the law abiding citizen, forced to wait when criminals don't care. In light of the atrocities that have been happening recently, how many do you think would have ended in the favor for a certified open or concealed victim. These criminals don't care!!!!!! I don't leave the front door unlock in my own home during the day and I have 10 cameras up as well. My weapons are in a safe. That will still take time to get it but I'll have it before police arrive and will be able to protect my elderly parents,. My father a retired SGT from HPD who uses a walker and has dementia would have no chance to protect himself especially out in public. If I were able to carry openly or concealed, I could protect them as he has helped many during his tenure with the Honolulu Police Department. Please allow us to protect ourselves, family, friends, citizens and our hard earned property!!!!!! Carrying a weapon isn't for everyone but give us a choice to go through a background check and class to become certified as I took the class from Butch Heleman to have Arizona' and Utah's certifications. With that the reciprocities for states are approximately 34 states one would be able to carry legally openly or concealed. You have the range safety officers at the range, that could e trained under the state or city. A private institution or business could also give certificates. Give us a chance to live and protect. Respect isn't that of when I was born in 1972, the drug situation isn't getting better , people don't want to earn it, so they turn to crime. It may be your family I might be saving one day.

Aloha

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Steven Matsumoto

I oppose this bill. You need to change this state to a “shall issue” state for CCW. This bill further complicates things and having to re-fee every year is senseless and will pile on more work for HPD when they are already short on bodies. Is this bill being introduced just to bring in revenue? \$150 training every year seems ridiculous.

The CCW license should be good for a set number of years (average is five) and at least be renewable via mail.

Turn this state from a “May Issue” to “SHALL-ISSUE” and let your citizens be able to protect themselves and their families. “Stand You Ground” should be added as well...

If you have any questions i can be reached at [smats@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:smats@hawaii.rr.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Joseph Simpliciano

With HPD's shortage of 200 police officers and their ability to not fill their ranks how is it that 6 to 8 police officers can patrol and serve kapolei to kaena point effectively? That number consists of one patrol per shift. Let us have our constitutional rights!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jks0609@gmail.com](mailto:jks0609@gmail.com) or

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Brian Isaacson	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Standards are good but not at the expense of making honest gun owners more burdened with fees, procedures and expenses to exercise a basic constitutional right.

**SB-2518**

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brian wong	Testifying for HRA	Oppose	No

Comments:

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Brandon Allen Kainoa Leong	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose SB2518.

While changing the law to allow CCW permit holders to carry a firearm across the state and not only in the county that they applied in is a good thing the fact that the law is not also modified to require Hawaii to become a "Shall Issue" state and not a "May Issue" state is a denial of everyone's basic right to self defense. Having to show a need before you will be allowed a permit to carry puts people at risk because criminals are not worried about laws. No one wakes up every morning knowing that today is the day that a criminal is going to rob or kill them. The increase of the fees from \$10 to \$100 is also another burden placed on law abiding citizens as a way of trying to keep us from applying in the first place. This fee is a waste of time and money for law abiding citizens because we automatically get denied a permit every time we apply only this time it will be the AG that denies us of our right to self defense and not the Chief of Police.

Brandon Leong

Hawaii Rifle Association Board Member

Lessons In Firearms Education Board Member

Certified NRA Firearms Instructor

**SB-2518**

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ross cluney	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

With all these current violent crimes being committed throughout the State, these measures further take away rights of law abiding citizens to protect themselves. Hawaii should be on the path of becoming a "shall issue state" because the "May issue" process proves that it's impossible to protect ourselves or our families until it's too late. History proves that more gun control only limits the law abiding citizens because criminals don't follow laws.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 12:15:42 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Bradd Haituka	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

This bill seems nothing more than another tax on a law abiding citizen wishing to exercise their right to self-defense. The supreme court of the united states has ruled that self-defense is protected under the second ammendment. I urge you not to pass this flawed bill, and change the current law to shall issue permits, and to allow law abiding citizens a means to protect themselves and others.



**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 12:54:08 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Shaun Woods	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

OPPOSE SB2518.

Let's be honest: the AG is never going to grant permits to carry a weapon. Nor should s/he. The right to carry a firearm (to bear arms) is a natural, civil, and constitutionally-protected right. Threatening someone with violence unless they beg permission from the state is immoral.

Instead, lawmakers should push to allow all adults to carry firearms without licensing.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 12:57:00 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Layne Hazama	Testifying for Hawaii Rifle Association	Oppose	No

Comments:

Oppose SB 2518

Measure includes extremely restrictive requirements (\$225 per year) and that is to apply for the CCW, which includes review of CCW application and does not guarantee approval. Hawaii has a long history of denying CCWs even when need has been demonstrated by the applicant.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:34:50 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Linda Castro	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:09:20 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
George Pace	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

SB 2437 RELATING TO ELECTRIC GUNS. PSM 229 Feb 6, 2020 1:15 PM

**Ridiculous red-tape that serves no purpose other than to continue the traitorous and contemptuous attempt by Hawaii progressive politicians to restrict ownership and possession of weapons in direct and obvious violation of their oath of office to abide by the Constitution which guarantees that government agents may not violate our natural rights, including the right to keep and bear arms for, among other purposes, self-defense and militia action.**

**Amend to delete any and all restrictions on the ownership of all weapons suitable for militia action, including electric weapons.**

**Another subterfuge by traitorous Hawaii politicians again violating their oath of office to uphold the Constitution which guarantees our natural rights shall not be infringed by government agents.**

**It's already been conclusively proven that Hawaii issues virtually ZERO licenses to carry to ordinary citizens. Why make a further mockery of the obvious lies and deceit by pretending that licenses will ever be issued without a court ruling that all these absurd and useless laws (no criminal *doesn't* carry because they don't have a license) are unconstitutional?**

**Immediately amend all Hawaii laws and delete all reference to any licensing or other government-imposed scheme of control or regulation of our natural rights, including those relating to keeping and bearing arms.**

**PERMITLESS CARRY NOW!!**

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 8:41:25 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Gavin Lohmeier	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

HB1598 on the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for 1 year even on the low end of the estimate the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states (C) that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license)

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 9:29:35 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Bryston Tanigawa	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose any bill that does not call for the immediate change of Hawaii's unconstitutional laws regarding Concealed Carry. It is my god given right to self preservation and my 2nd amendment right to protect myself, my family, and friends however I see fit. The state has no right to "decide" if I can carry or not. What right does the state have to charge me \$225 to obtain a permit to carry? You are creating a cast system where only wealthy people will be able to afford to protect themselves. Repeal the restrictive concealed carry laws, I will make firearms laws the only issue I'll be voting on in the future. Aloha.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 11:51:13 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Eric Imada	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

This testimony is in strong opposition to SB2518 which establishes the Attorney General (AG) authority to grant licenses to carry concealed or unconcealed firearms and specifies training requirements for applicants and changes the fee requirement from per-license to per-application. This written testimony is in lieu of an in-person testimony as my occupation dictates my physical presence at my job at 1:15 PM on a Tuesday. SB2518 changes no key verbiage in the issuance of a permit. The language still reads as a "may issue" condition which in effect has historically proven to be a "shall not issue" condition in practice. SB2518 encumbers applicants with annual training that can typically cost \$150 which puts financial strain on those with less financial freedom who desire to protect their family. SB2518 is a blatant money grab by the state to further target an inconvenience firearm owners unfairly. Increasing the fee to \$100 and making on a per-application basis is completely unfair. Even without the issuance of a permit an applicant will have still had to pay the \$100 fee. This is an embarrassing money grab tactic by the state. If the increase is in fact to offset the cost of issuing a permit, please provide evidence to support this claim. SB2518 will create a massive bottleneck at the AG office, and will require the hiring of additional personnel to deal with the endless expanse of paperwork daily.



**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:26:22 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Cheryl Holliday	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Dear Legislators,

I am writing in reference to Bill SB2518 and requesting that you vote in favor of allowing average citizens like myself the opportunity to conceal carry. I am a legal firearms owner living on Oahu. I attend monthly/quarterly training sessions with the Hawaii Rifle Association to build upon my skills, knowledge and competence through target shooting. I am also a Range Safety Officer, who helps at the Shooting Sports Fair held annually, to help others who attend to be safe around firearms. I would like the ability to conceal carry. The reason for this is because I am becoming increasingly afraid to be out and about on Oahu. I am a 65 years old woman who is learning to be afraid to be out by myself due to the many stories of where older persons are assaulted, beat up, personal items ripped from their bodies, etc. How am I to protect myself against young, strong people who feel the need to steal from me? I rode the bus the other day and a man was yelling and screaming at the bus driver. the bus driver yelled at him to get off the bus. There were many older people on the bus at the time. What protection do we have if this man would have pulled out an illegal gun? Or charged at someone? I have been approached on the sidewalks where people are asking me for money. One guy flashed money and me and wanted favors. I have no personal protection to help me in these matters. I do not mind paying \$225 a year for a conceal carry permit, and will gladly do so. But please allow the conceal carry permit to be given! It is my right according to the 2nd Amendment of the Constitution! Allow me to conceal carry so that I can protect myself if I need to. There are many people roaming the streets of Oahu looking to hurt someone. It is on the news all the time. I am afraid to live here. And I am getting older. Shouldn't the fact that I am proactively training, learning and becoming competent with my own firearms mean something? I hope and pray I don't lose my life on the streets of Oahu. I also hope and pray none of you ever experience the loss of your life or your loved ones because no personal protection was allowed for individual citizens. Thank you for your consideration of my testimony and God Bless you and God Bless America.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Holliday

87-1059 Oheohe St. Waianae, HI



**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 8:54:16 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Brendon Heal	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I am writing this testimony in opposition of ALL THESE ANTI GUN BILLS.

Did any of YOU politicians come up with any bills to stop criminals, or at least curb their criminal behavior? Or are YOU just going to concentrate on making LAW ABIDING CITIZENS, exercising their RIGHTS, into criminals?

Is lying, stealing, and cheating a way of life for these career politicians? YOU rob and steal from us 'legally', and whatever is left YOU leave to the other criminals to steal and kill us. Furthermore, with these bills, you do not care that we will not be able to defend ourselves from either.

Do you all have any integrity? I took an oath, YoU ALL need to follow that oath.

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, and that I will faithfully discharge my duties as..... to the best of my ability."

I take my promise and oath VERY SERIOUSLY, if you have any integrity left, you will OPPOSE this legislation.

Very serious VOTER  
Brendon Heal

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 9:23:35 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Ramiro Noguero	Individual	Oppose	No

## Comments:

This is already a law that goes against the Supreme Law of the Land, what part of "The right to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed" is so hard to understand.

All government official must follow and obey The Constitution of the United States of America, no one is above the law.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 10:01:06 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Matt	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

This bill does nothing to guarantee the rights granted to law abiding citizens in the US Constitution that their rights to defend themselves shall not be impinged. Hawaii already has unconstitutional laws prohibited law abiding citizens from defending themselves and their loved ones from an undeniable growing criminal element in our state.

Instead of punishing law abiding citizens our elected officials and the chiefs of police should be looking for ways to promote lawful ownership of firearms as already guaranteed by our Constitution and that in itself is a deterrent to crime without a weapon ever needing to be used.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 12:45:21 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Lyle Hlromoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 1:03:16 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
jason wolford	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Aloha

I oppose this bill because it give all the power to one person with no over site. There is no process in place or time line when it will be done and should be made a shall issue and not may issue since that person can make up any reason to denial a permit. The cost is also discriminating to lower economic people. And keep them from being able to defend themselves. What happens if denied will you get money back if not just another way for government to prevent citizens from trying to exercise a god give right to be able to defend themselves and loved ones.

Thank you

Jason T Wolford

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 3:28:18 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
MORGAN CUIZON	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:



**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 3:59:51 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Vern Hiromoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 5:58:39 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Fred Delosantos	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Please oppose SB2518. It is unduly burdensome, cost-prohibitive to exercise the right to self-defense.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:02:45 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Shyla Moon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:04:28 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Peter J Long III	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I wish to submit this testimony in strong OPPOSITION to this proposal primarily because of the outrageous cost the state wishes to impose on it's citizens to carry a firearm for protection. Personally, I believe the only reason this proposal has been introduced is to get out in front of pending litigation that could possibly be quite costly for the state.

I object to the \$100 application fee this law would create as well as the burdensome requirement that a safety class be taken within 180 days prior to the application. This set of requirements may cost \$250 or more per year simply to apply for a permit. This is, essentially changing the process from paying \$0 for a virtually guaranteed "NO" to paying \$250 just to apply for the virtually guaranteed "NO". Thanks, but no thanks!

Firearms laws in Hawaii are already among the strictest in the nation. Owners of firearms are registered with our local police departments and watched under microscopes. We are among the most law-abiding citizens in Hawaii, yet we are held accountable for the actions of the mentally unstable and heinous sociopaths, with the ever constant chipping away of our Constitutional right to bear arms.

Why does the Hawaii Legislature place a higher value on the rights of criminals than those of it's law-abiding citizens??

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 8:09:05 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kevin Kacatin	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

OPPOSE as language in this measure still contains "May Issue" provisions and is not in compliance with the Second Amendment of the US Constitution as being challenged in YOUNG V HAWAII.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 9:08:18 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kelvin N Asahina, DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

This bill does not address the fact that Hawaii is a "may issue" state which essentially has been a **no** issue state. Changing who signs a denial for a CC permit will not have any effect on crime or criminals who do not obey the law to begin with which has been very obvious in the last year. It will only affect honest law abiding citizens who may enjoy recreational shooting, hunting, collecting firearms or who wish to have the ability to be able to defend themselves, love ones and friends in public settings. Training is always a good idea but requiring a set amount of fees for such training and a non-refundable fee for an application is theft and criminal in it's own way.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 10:12:54 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joseph P. Picon	Individual	Oppose	No

## Comments:

- **My name is Joseph Paez Picon, a registered voter and citizen of Hawaii.**
- **I oppose SB2518. It infringes on my right to keep and bear arms. It limits, undermines and encroaches on my Second Amendment rights, which is illegal for this state's legislature to do.**
- **HB1598 on the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.**
- **The reason I oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are a "MAY" issue. This keeps the status quo, where a person may or may not be issued a permit at the whim of the issuer, should they apply.**
- **The fee for the permit is intentionally cost-prohibitive. The claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm. A NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when run by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver's licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.**

**The training requirements in this bill would require a person to take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.**

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 10:37:01 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Benel Piros	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose this Bill because the accountability to issue these permits are being transferred to the Attorney General from the Police Chief. Permits MAY still be issued and not a guarantee. The cost to apply for and maintain a permit are very high and still not guarantee if this Bill is passed. The State of Hawaii has yet to issue a permit for both concealed and non-concealed carry to any Law abiding citizen in decades.



**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 11:40:34 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Lionel Delos Santos	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Aloha legislature, I do not support I oppose this bill because if you apply not guarantee to get the license, just letting people applying and collecting \$225 just denied them is waste of money and time. If pass a law that the people can carry will have less crime people can defend them self, and the state can make revenue from the CCW.

Thank you for the time reading my testimony

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 6:38:11 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Markos Cabaong	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 7:13:23 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Michael Higa	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill on the grounds that wording is unconstitutional and removes the right to keep and bear arms. Wording needs to be changed from "may issue" to "SHALL ISSUE" when all requirements are duly met.

I oppose wording in the bill that deems the need and ability to defend ones' self is only allowed for those in exceptional cases. This denies every citizen of Hawaii their constitutional rights every single day. Hawaii's streets are becoming more and more unsafe and violent crime is out of control. It is your duty to allow the people of Hawaii to have the means for self defense at all times. The pain and suffering of the victims of this recent rash of purse snatchings, car muggings, and theft are at your feet. When someone eventually gets hurt so badly that they lose their life, it will be because you failed to act and denied them their right to defend their life and protect themselves. The government shall either provide the means to protect every citizen at all times or allow the people of Hawaii the ability to take their safety of their lives and the lives of their friends and family into their own hands.

I oppose changing the amount of fees as the same system will be used and therefore no new fees should be assessed. If there are not new procedural/system changes and/or upgrades, no new fees are warranted.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 7:18:51 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kainoa Kaku	Testifying for Hawaii Rifle Association	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

No single entity, especially a wholly political entity should be in charge of handing out CCW licenses, the granting of CCW licenses should be automatic. Furthermore this bill puts a ridiculous pricetag on concealed carry, upwards of \$250 per year without the guarantee of receiving a permit. This bill targets the poor, pricing them out of the ability to concealed carry and the poor are the primary target of criminals. That money is better spent training to make more effective self defenders.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 8:42:38 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Joel Berg	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Oppose SB 2518

I oppose any provision for open or concealed carry of firearms that is "may issue," instead of "shall issue." The training requirements and fees associated with this bill are punitive and intentionally prohibitive. The majority of state have implemented "shall issue" firearm carry permits with much more reasonable requirements and fees with no demonstrable harm to public safety.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 9:11:39 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Thomas Moriyasu	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

The introduction of this bill **will NOT change** the current situation. In fact, all it does is add another layer of bureaucracy to the process. It also raises the application process fee without giving the people anything. All this bill will do is give the state a database of law-abiding gun owners who applied for a CCP. This database will be **another cost to no end for the state** with no benefit to the applicants as I have **NO faith in the state** to actually award licenses to any applicant other than police. The reason it is a cost to no end is the state will need a company to maintain a database and pay for space. On the other hand, if the state decided on a paper database, this will be labor-intensive and just as costly, or more, because of the space needed to maintain such a model.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 10:47:23 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kenny Kwan	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose this bill

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 9:00:45 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
David Soon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I actually support CCW but this bill has too many flaws.

I work in a crime ridden industrial area and I believe personal safety is an individual's responsibility.

I do possess permits to carry valid in most of the U.S., but it is not valid here. Why not?



**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 10:59:36 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Harvey Gerwig	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

**SB 2518: AG TO TAKE OVER CONCEALED CARRY LICENSING:** I am **STRONGLY OPPOSED** to this measure for the following reasons:

1. This measure is just another Road Block by the government to its Citizens who wish to exercise their God given and Constitutionally guaranteed right to self protection.
2. The fee structure is based on a ( PER APPLICATION ) basis, so each time a person applies there is another \$ 100 fee charged by the State. This, in itself, is UNFAIR, and demonstrates the State's unwillingness to provide it's citizens with a viable, and economically feasible mechanism for self protection outside the home.
3. The Bill is unclear on what the training component will be prior to issuance of a CCW permit, thus opening up possiblilites of requiring unresonable amounts of training to qualify for the permit. We don not oppose appropriate training, but are opposed to excessive requirements to exercise our rights.

Please Defer this measure permanently.

Thank you,

Harvey Gerwig

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 10:59:58 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
christy gusman	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I OPPOSE THIS BILL

- 
- **Is still may issue not SHALL issue**
- **Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).**
- **\$150 of training required each year.**
- **bans open carry for no security guards.**

On the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

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*CHRISTY KAJIWARA GUSMAN*

*DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF HAWAII*

*SENATE DISTRICT 5 - DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON*

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 11:19:31 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
brooks	Testifying for Hawaii Rifle Association Member	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 11:22:14 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Craig Kashiwai	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Carol Thomas	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 12:23:25 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Clifford Goo	Testifying for Hawaii Rifle Association	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

SB 2518 redirecting the authority to the Attorney Generals office initially sounds like a good idea because folks may think the Attorney Generals Office will be different, until you actually read and understand it. I am not in support of this bill due to the following reasons.

We are still going to be a May Issue State, meaning it will be up to the authorizing body, AG in this case to decide whether you may be granted your carry license. Same as before, one person different office.

Same standards of an exceptional case, proving urgency where you fear injury to yourself or property. Now more than ever I believe we are coming to that point with violent crime on the rise everyday.

Excessive fee requirement, \$100 just to apply, no guarantee your permit will be granted. If you want to reapply, another \$100. There have been numerous applications to the police dept. None have been granted in years.

Probably same standard form letter answer of not having sufficient reason for granting the request for the permit.

Training requirements must be completed no more than 6 months prior to the request. In other words you need to take a safety of some kind, pay the fee which on average could be \$150-200 and still not guarantee your permit is approved.

Permit/license is good for one year, then you need to do this again? How much is it going to cost.

Basically nothing will change if the State remains a May Issue with excessive and ambiguous requirement left up to one authorizing body. We need to become a Shall issue State first in order to exercise our carry rights. Then work together to create a meaningful system so lawful abiding firearms owners can better protect themselves and their families.





**SB-2518**

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Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Tom Galli	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Adding a fee to apply for a permit that can be denied without cause is a clear violation of civil rights. This is akin to poll taxes.

**SB-2518**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Mark Masuda	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

The requirement that payment be made at point of application rather than at point of issuance is nothing more than a punishment on people merely trying to apply. Hawai'i has not issued any carry permits in years unlike other forms of licensing such as driver's licenses. Imagine if the price of your drivers license went up ten fold and you had to pay it even before taking your written and road tests! If you didn't pass on your first try, you lost a lot of money under this scheme.

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

State Capitol, Room 229  
HEARING: Thursday, February 6, 2019, at 1:15PM

RE: SB2518 Relating to firearms

Aloha Members of the Senate Committee,

**I OPPOSE SB2518 and REQUEST AMENDMENTS.**

Please amend this bill with the following:

1. Change the permit period to 5 years.

The cost is very high for a permit. A \$100 annual application fee plus \$150 to \$250 to attend an annual firearms class is out of reach for local residents struggling with the high cost of living here. Another problem is nationally 5% of adults have a CCW permit which means a potential 50,000 yearly applicants which would overwhelm the AG's office. Changing the permit period to 5 years would result in an average yearly cost of about \$50 to \$70 a year for applicants and a more manageable 10,000 applications for the AG's office to process.

Hawaii currently has the lowest CCW permit period out of all states at 1 year while most states have 3 to 5 years, and about 18 have Constitutional Carry (no permit required to carry).

2. Change language from "may grant" to "shall grant"

Current HRS law gives police chiefs discretion as part of "may issue" where no Hawaii resident (except for law enforcement) receive a CCW permit. The AG had issued guidance before to allow a very limited number of permits be issued for things like immediate threat of harm for domestic violence cases or for those carry high cost valuables for work. The regular law abiding person will still not be able to obtain a CCW permit. Please amend to "SHALL GRANT."

Mahalo

Todd Yukutake

Resident of Aiea, Senate District 16

## Concealed carry handgun license expiration dates by state. as of January 2019

Constitutional Carry = no license required to carry a handgun in public.

Alabama	1 to 5 years	Montana	4
Alaska	Constitutional Carry	Nebraska	5
Arizona	Constitutional Carry	Nevada	5
Arkansas	Constitutional Carry	New Hampshire	Constitutional Carry
California	2	New Jersey	2
Colorado	5	New Mexico	4 to 5
Connecticut	5	New York	2 to lifetime
Delaware	5	North Carolina	5
Florida	7	North Dakota	Constitutional Carry
Georgia	5	Ohio	5
Hawaii	1	Oklahoma	5 or 10
Idaho	Constitutional Carry	Oregon	4
Illinois	5	Pennsylvania	5
Indiana	4 or lifetime	Rhode Island	4
Iowa	5	South Carolina	5
Kansas	Constitutional Carry	South Dakota	5
Kentucky	5	Tennessee	8
Louisiana	5 or lifetime	Texas	4 to 5
Maine	Constitutional Carry	Utah	5
Maryland	2 initial, 3 renewal	Vermont	Constitutional Carry
Massachusetts	6	Virginia	5
Michigan	4 to 5	Washington	5
Minnesota	5	West Virginia	Constitutional Carry
Mississippi	Constitutional Carry	Wisconsin	5
Missouri	Constitutional Carry	Wyoming	Constitutional Carry

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Shirley Lanoza

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If you have any questions i can be reached at [lanoza808@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:lanoza808@hawaiiantel.net) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Noah Drazkowski

Hawaii is still a "May" issue state which give too much power to one individual. If a law abiding citizen meets all the criteria to carry a firearm they should be allowed to carry.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [noahdrzkowski@hotmail.com](mailto:noahdrzkowski@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Peter Abraham

\$30.00 fee per year should be enough. Our Pistol Safety Class is good to apply for concealed carry. This is our right to protect our family outside our property.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kepsabraham@yahoo.com](mailto:kepsabraham@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Michael Rice

I strongly Oppose this bill because it not only continues to deny our right to bear arms in public, it taxes us for attempting to do so. \$100 per ATTEMPT to apply, and \$150 a year, even if that were changed it still \$250 per year for something that should be free. It also prevents Security Guards from openly carrying their weapons.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [michaelirice@outlook.com](mailto:michaelirice@outlook.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Erik Castaldo

This proposed legislation is absolutely criminal to it's core. Each person applying would pay \$100 even if denied. Are you not aware that you currently deny everyone?

While I think the idea of requiring training, even yearly is a good idea, the proposed prices for both training and applications are outrageous and insulting.

This legislation would put an unnecessary financial strain on individuals of about \$300 a year to practice rights guaranteed by the second amendment. This bill is unconstitutional, bleeds the public financially, and should be dismissed.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [castaldoerik@gmail.com](mailto:castaldoerik@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Tony Frascarelli

Opposed. Language needs to change from May issue to shall issue with length of permit 3-5 years. Fee is excessive. Firearms owners have already been vetted and this fee would appear to be designed to deter individuals from applying for a permit.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [tfras89012@gmail.com](mailto:tfras89012@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is JIM DARLOW

I strongly oppose SB2518/HB1598. This bill continues to deny those in need of personal protection within the state of Hawaii. The requirements of \$150 annual training is excessive as well as the cost of \$100 per application versus the cost of a license following approved application. I do vote, and I will monitor how this bill is handled. Mahalo.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jim.darlow@gmail.com](mailto:jim.darlow@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Willow Aureala

I oppose this bill because it is further evidence of your gun-grabbing efforts in Hawaii! There is no problem to be fixed with this bill, as with almost all other bills you submit to the legislature about guns! Another problem is that permits in hawaii are 'may' issue and this bill keeps that at status quo. Further fees for such permits are cost-prohibitive for many and again this does not address a problem.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [willow@yahoo.com](mailto:willow@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Sterling Luna

Strongly oppose. This doesnt change the may be issued law and will be denied, so once again its the constituents who suffer with senseless fees and ridiculous requirements which at the end of the day is denied and financially ripped off. Please stop punishing the people for nonexistent issues.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [onfire.co@gmail.com](mailto:onfire.co@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kyle Gusman

I OPPOSE this bill.

-Is still may issue/not SHALL issue.

-Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).

-\$150 of training required each year.

-bans open carry for no security guards.

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Kyle K Gusman  
Senate district 5

If you have any questions i can be reached at kimokg3@gmail.com or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Stanley Mendes

I strongly oppose SB2518 I believe it should be shall not may that we can get carry permits.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [bhunter808@hotmail.com](mailto:bhunter808@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Donald Correia

Strongly oppose this Bill unconstitutional everybody should have a right to own and Carry for self-defense. If the police are allowed to why can't civilians

If you have any questions i can be reached at [crazy96733@yahoo.com](mailto:crazy96733@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Joshua Stueber

I do not support this bill. It only further infringes on our 2nd amendment rights as American citizens.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jstuebs@gmail.com](mailto:jstuebs@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Michael Moylan

I, Michael Moylan, OPPOSE SB2518. "The right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

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If you have any questions i can be reached at [xstretch101@yahoo.com](mailto:xstretch101@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Daniel Yoro Sr.

Dear Mr. / Mrs. Official,

I am writing you asking that you oppose any and new gun restriction proposals. Support, stand and protect the 2nd amendment rights of the people, not infringe and restrict. Rights that weren't given by you and should not be restricted by you. Hawai'i has and already is one of the most strictest states in the nation regarding gun laws and ownership. Passing any more will not make any change, but turn many law abiding citizens into criminals. You'll have thousands overnight. Laws will not stop the acts of a madman. Assault is an action, it could be done with bats, sticks, knives, hammers, vehicles and even empty handed, I don't see you go after those. Inanimate objects are harmless without the intentions behind it. On the flip side they can be used for good. Tools to build, fix and repair, sport, family time and protection. Please oppose ANY gun control measures, they will not stop shootings, they will only harm law abiding citizens as myself.

Sincerely,  
Daniel Yoro Sr.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [bibinkarules@yahoo.com](mailto:bibinkarules@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Nicholas Ehrhorn

It's simple, if u own a gun it should be your right to carry it around with u to protect yourself where ever the occasion arises. Two people should not have the say to who gets to be able to protect your self at all times from criminals. #MAKECARRYINGGUNSLEGALAGAIN #ALWAYSISUE

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kawaipahola@gmail.com](mailto:kawaipahola@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is john bettinger

I as an American citizen have a right to carry if my safety situation would benefit from it. I happen to live way out in the boonies and in an emergency, I am on my own for at least 15-20 minutes. I am an ex combat infantryman and mainland police officer and have significant experience. Our department required our off duty officers to be armed because armed good guys save citizens lives.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [bettingers1@yahoo.com](mailto:bettingers1@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Marion Ceruti

I strongly opposed anything that would make it harder to obtain a concealed-weapons license or permit. The application fee is too high. A lower fee could be charged only after the permit is obtained. \$150 worth of training is excessive and no other state requires such a thing. The permit should be good for 7 years and not require annual training.

Open carry should be legalized not banned. Get rid of "may issue" and make all permit applications "shall issue." Moreover, Hawai'i should recognize out-of-state concealed-weapons licenses. Stop creating all the needless roadblocks to exercising our God-given second amendment rights. Vote NO on SB2518.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ceruti@earthlink.net](mailto:ceruti@earthlink.net) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is David Barbieto

I strongly opposed of this bill CCW permit should be easier to get instead its hard even hard to protect myself and love ones I never seen so much red tape just to protect yourself

If you have any questions i can be reached at [dbarbietoiii@gmail.com](mailto:dbarbietoiii@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Brad Pocock

I oppose this bill because when I work for an armored car company here in Hawaii for 15 years all we had to do was qualify once a year and police chief should be the one not the AG.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mauka873@gmail.com](mailto:mauka873@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is wyatt lee

Reading this measure makes me wonder where do you guys come up with these things? first of all, no body was ever given a CCW permit, secondly you guys want to charge us per application? This is another trap to get money from gun owners.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [aliinui10@gmail.com](mailto:aliinui10@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Chris Yates

Honorable HI State Senate and Congress Members,

As a lifelong Liberal, I strongly OPPOSE SB2518. On the heels of the embarrassing Young vs. HI for 2nd Amendment violations, this proposed bill is simply punishing law abiding citizens with fiscal and process hurdles. This proposed bill neither addresses "may" issue verbiage, nor does is there any statistical correlation that this type government imposed process road blocking improves public safety. This is clearly to punish law abiding citizens. This is clearly a money grab.

Chris Yates

If you have any questions i can be reached at [buick231@hotmail.com](mailto:buick231@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Cacique Melendez

Criminals do not follow laws and thus these new laws only serve to effect law abiding citizens. I am a police officer and do not support these proposed laws. Let law abiding citizens have the means to protect themselves.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [zekemelen@yahoo.com](mailto:zekemelen@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Rudolph Pangelinan

The State of Hawaii is already a may issue state.

By moving to the AG, we are in status quo and does not change the fact that law abiding citizens will get the right to concealed carry.

also, imposing these large fees for each registration is unrealistic. Other fees for business and individuals on park use, lane closures, parades, etc... are less stringent and less costly, And it takes more time plus or minus to process from State workers.

Requiring training every time to get a permit is also unrealistic.

I oppose this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rpangelinan@rlp-hi.com](mailto:rpangelinan@rlp-hi.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Michael Regan

This does not change Hawaii from a "may issue" to a "shall issue". Hawaii firearm owners are already vetted in the system. This does not guarantee a permit or license but the state or county will still collect the funds.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mregan001@hotmail.com](mailto:mregan001@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is WILLIAM RACOMA

THE ABILITY TO PROTECT MYSELF, MY FAMILY AND OTHERS IS ALREADY A GOD GIVEN RIGHT UNDER THE CONSTITUTION.

HAWAII IS ALREADY IN VIOLATION OF MY GOD GIVEN CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS AT ALL TIMES.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [HALELAIE@AOL.COM](mailto:HALELAIE@AOL.COM) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Stephen Medeiros

Really... just give us the CCW cause you are now dictating the process. Yet I have my CCW from Arizona. So why not acknowledge this CCW and allow us to carry.. with all those who do it illegally and attack others. I want to have a chance to defend myself..protecting myself and others

Why need training every year while still going to the range and training on my own..paying range fee.. ammunition and travel out of state to continue other training areas that Hawaii does not have those kind of ranges

If you have any questions i can be reached at [dragon4sgtmed@yahoo.com](mailto:dragon4sgtmed@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Sean Lee

For what to make more money off of law abiding citizens not one person in hawaii was issued a cw license prices to just apply and time is to valuable to waste even attempting to get the license dont pass please

If you have any questions i can be reached at [Creatureboy808@yahoo.com](mailto:Creatureboy808@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Alan Medeiros

I am in opposition to this sb2518 this is taking away my right to bare arms, our for fathers wrote the constitution for all ages to come and who are you to change that and who are you to disallow me the right to carry a firearm for self protection. I have all the respect in the world for law enforcement but they cannot be there everyti.e you need help in emergency

So self defense is the only option. DO NOT LET THE BILL PASS

If you have any questions i can be reached at medeirosa001@hawaii.rr.com or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Phillip Paranada

I oppose! Please allow to keep it (a still may issue)

We need to be protected!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [phillipmrp@yahoo.com](mailto:phillipmrp@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Walter Philbrook

You can not get a permit to carry a gun anyway. Nothing will change with this law. You have to be law enforcement or security to get a permit to carry. You are trying to wipe out the second amendment with all these laws

If you have any questions i can be reached at [philbrookwalter@juno.com](mailto:philbrookwalter@juno.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is John Mendes

Oppose they already never approve carry permits and now you want to charge us for applying.

This is a violation of our 2nd amendment rights

If you have any questions i can be reached at [johnmendes96768@hotmail.com](mailto:johnmendes96768@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Rawlins Lanoza

HB1598 on the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for 1 year even on the low end of the estimate the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states (C) that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license)

(A) <https://www.dailysignal.com/2018/03/06/fact-check-what-percentage-of-americans-have-concealed-carry-permits/>

(B) [https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney\\_General\\_of\\_Hawaii](https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney_General_of_Hawaii)

(C) <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2013/rpt/2013-R-0048.htm>

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rcrsvc8182@gmail.com](mailto:rcrsvc8182@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is William Chase

In 2014 Hawaii rules on gun permit were found to be unconstitutional, and again last year another law suit went forward to continue the complaint. The state has failed to change and to attempt to keep the same laws with this bill you put forward. It is unconstitutional and amounts to a restriction on my rights as a citizen to keep and bear arms.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [wmc@hawaii.edu](mailto:wmc@hawaii.edu) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Mitchell Weber

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB2518 in its current form,

requiring a person to pay an application fee for a license they will most likely not receive is cruel punishment for wanting to be able to defend themselves. Requiring a class to be taken every six months to renew their yearly license is excessive and expensive(around \$150). I am certain that you all know whats coming, SCOTUS will eventually affirm our right to bear arms outside of our dwellings. I view this proposed bill as the states way of deterring people from exercising their inalienable rights.

Most firearms owners who apply for such licenses train themselves at their own will, I can confidently state that the people I mentioned have more training with use of defensive firearms tactics than most HPD officers.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mdotweber@icloud.com](mailto:mdotweber@icloud.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Erik Brady

If the state of Hawaii issues concealed permits . The state would find a new income to support all citizens of this state . More good gun carriers means less crime . Right now most any public place is a gun free zone meaning . Any criminal with a gun can , Kill all or most of the men women and children in a given area , while law abiding citizens dial the phone hide and wait for police to arrive .

If you have any questions i can be reached at [maui-b@hotmail.com](mailto:maui-b@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Cheryl Tanaka

Strongly Oppose

Registration time frame is too short and very costly, should be extended to 5 years like the other US states. DMV, TSA and Passport are all 5 plus years

If you have any questions i can be reached at [localaznchick05@aol.com](mailto:localaznchick05@aol.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jerry Yuen

I strongly oppose SB2518. I am a certified firearms instructor for the Marines and Hawaii Army National Guard and the President of the Pu'uloa Rifle and Pistol Club. This bill is a clear violation of the Second Amendment. This bill requires a \$100 application fee and \$150 training requirement annually to exercise a Right. There still will no guarantee that the permit will be issued. This bill must be changed from "may issue" to "shall issue". The "exceptional case" requirement must be removed.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jerry.t.yuen@gmail.com](mailto:jerry.t.yuen@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Marc Kawakami

Hello,

This bill would take away the right from people who are not able to afford the cost for the licensing and training requirements.

Thank you.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mkawakami@tpi-tec.com](mailto:mkawakami@tpi-tec.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Reuben Waters

I am strongly against this bill because it does nothing to stop the criminals from getting weapons and only hurts law abiding citizens. As a law abiding citizen in should be able to buy weapons but now with this extra fee the state is making the cost so high that only the criminals will be able to get them.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [wsmaga@msn.com](mailto:wsmaga@msn.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jacob Lunz

This bill is cost prohibitive and because it is cost prohibitive, it is discriminatory toward those who do not have access to the funds necessary to file for a permit. I oppose this bill. This Bill infringes on the Second Amendment rights of every resident within the state of Hawaii.

Driver's licenses are easier and cheaper to obtain than a CCW permit and you are more likely to die from a car accident than gun violence. Why are driver's licenses not under this type of restriction?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jacoblunz@gmail.com](mailto:jacoblunz@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Joseph Rodrigues II.

OPPOSE

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ar15teckarmalite@gmail.com](mailto:ar15teckarmalite@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Richy Chang

Carry permits are still a "may issue" status. Applicants are not guaranteed to be granted a carry permit and will have to pay the \$100 application fee regardless if they are granted or denied.

\$150 annual training is cost prohibitive on a populace that is living on low income.

This bill will also ban open carry for security guards who have the right to defend those in need especially when there is no one else with a carry permit due to the "may issue" status.

I strongly oppose this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [inchang.1391@gmail.com](mailto:inchang.1391@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Russell May

Aloha Chairman and Committee members. I do NOT support SB2518 because I believe you are violating the constitutional rights of everyone living in Hawaii. As a member of the HRA and a citizen living in Honolulu I believe if I am constitutionally allowed to own a firearm and that I and everyone else should be able to conceal carry one as well. I currently serve as a military policeman and I cannot carry off duty and why not? I have my LEOSA credentials which for some reason Hawaii fails to recognize. I do not understand the thought process of those who make these may issue laws as ordinary law abiding citizens are capable of making rational decisions when carrying concealed firearms. We citizens are adequately trained and have a right to carry the firearms we are legally justified to own. I also can't comprehend why you are now going to charge people to apply for permits knowing good and well you are just going to say no. This is CRIMINAL! There are no supporting statistics in Hawaii that say lawful owners of firearms carrying concealed are committing crimes and why not because you are denying the rights of those to carry and almost never in states where you can concealed carry are those folks just outright breaking the law and committing gun crimes. The people who do break the law will never follow these absurd laws you are making and will continue to break the law. So why must you continually punish the law abiding citizens?

Thank you for your time.

If you have any questions i can be reached at russma26@yahoo.com or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Samuel Webb

I Oppose this Bill, this is a No Issue state, and all the training and background checks have already been done, when the applicant registered their first handgun.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [sebb67@yahoo.com](mailto:sebb67@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Brian Ley

how about you make it so that people can get a conceal carry permit. I have a restraining order against a drug addict who has violated the order over 24 times. was even arrested unconscious on my property with a hunting knife. their own child called the police in concern over my safety from threats they were going to kill me. even with my background they wouldn't even let me apply for a conceal carry

If you have any questions i can be reached at [brianLey0522@yahoo.com](mailto:brianLey0522@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is James Rzonca

I am against this bill and any other bill that is eroding our rights as clearly stated in the United States constitution. Hawaii gun laws already severely infringe on our right to bear arms. The Constitution very clearly states that our right to bear arms “shall not be infringed”.

Registrations, permits, etc are obvious infringements already. Adding more to this is just a slap in our face and the faces of our founding fathers. If Hawaii law makers can’t comprehend something so simple as “shall not be infringed” then we need new ones! After all the 2nd amendment was included in the constitution so the people (us) can fight back against a tyrannical government. How many of our rights must this government take away before we consider it tyrannical?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jamesrzonca@yahoo.com](mailto:jamesrzonca@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Alvin Rodrigues

I oppose bill SB2518

first off the wording SHOULD BE SHALL ISSUE. if you are eligible to own a gun in Hawaii you should be able to carry and use it for self defense pired.

Also I hold three different state CCW license and all of them are for five years and after that I just send in the registration fee and they will Re issue the permit for another five years as long as I'm still eligible (law abiding). needing to take a course every year and paying a fee every year is ridicules and financially burdensome. It's troubling to me to know that MY ELECTED OFFICIALS IN MY STATE requires more from me to exercise my constitutional rights than the MAJORITY OF STATES in AMERICA. You must really think the citizens in Hawaii are irresponsible and violent to suppress us of our 2nd amendment rights and the only way to grant them is to pay large amounts of money.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [al\\_bkk@yahoo.com](mailto:al_bkk@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Marc Bertram

I oppose this bill.

I only have one statement to make, 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!!

No one should be able to say who is allowed to carry and or own a weapon, it is against all that our free country was based on.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [marcb44@hotmail.com](mailto:marcb44@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is William Carreira

I am writing today to voice my OPPOSITION to bill SB2518. The reason I oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for 1 year even on the low end of the estimate the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states (C) that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license).

So, while I support the idea of concealed carry for the people of Hawaii, this bill falls short in some key areas.

Thank you,  
William K. Carreira  
Waipahu, HI

If you have any questions i can be reached at [will.carreira@gmail.com](mailto:will.carreira@gmail.com) or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Lindy Lau

HB1598 on the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for 1 year even on the low end of the estimate the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states (C) that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license)

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kanakanui65@yahoo.com](mailto:kanakanui65@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jacob Bruhn

Aloha, I oppose SB2518. A fee \$100 for application even if you don't get a permit.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rockpounda@yahoo.com](mailto:rockpounda@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Henrik Lyons

Concealed carry is permitted under the second amendment as a law abiding citizen and business owner how am I supposed to protect my family property and business?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [henriklyons@hotmail.com](mailto:henriklyons@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jeffrey Fujimoto

I strongly oppose this bill, SB2518.

If you don't already know. Concealed carry permits are not issued in Hawaii, de facto. It is lip service to say that they are.

By levying a fee, it is further discouraging people from even attempting to obtain one. To anyone who is paying attention, this is clearly a hurtful and intentional additional hurdle to obtaining a carry permit.

The additional \$150 annual training fee is also clearly an additional unnecessary hurdle meant to make concealed carry nearly impossible for most people.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jefffujimoto@yahoo.com](mailto:jefffujimoto@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Patrick Dufer

I am strongly opposed to this legislation. The U.S. Supreme Court has stated that our inalienable rights can never be altered, modified, or abolished by government, because these rights existed in The People before the formation of either the states or the federal government. I believe that this legislation circumvents the constitution by allowing local law enforcement to deny me the ability to conceal or open carry my firearm, even though I have a ccw from another state, which satisfies the training requirements to not only possess a firearm, but carry one, as well. The constitution prohibits the government from stripping my ability to protect my life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness. My inability to defend myself is in direct violation of the constitution.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [patrickdufer@yahoo.com](mailto:patrickdufer@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jonagustine Lim

I write in strong opposition to SB2518.

This bill moves the decision to issue CCW from the county police department chief and to the AG office.

The cost of \$100 for APPLYING also puts a very expensive burden on a right that the State MAY issue and is not even a guarantee that a permit will be issued.

This bill does nothing except to punish gun owners and is very punitive in its intention. There is no benefit to gun owners from this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jonagustine\\_lim@yahoo.com](mailto:jonagustine_lim@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Paul Tauchas

This bill infringes the right to bear arms by adding additional burden on the people to obtain firearms.

"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."

If you have any questions i can be reached at [tauchashawaii@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:tauchashawaii@hawaii.rr.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Chris Redeker

I Oppose bill SB2518 due to the fact that you are making citizens pay \$150 to apply for a permit that in nearly every case has been denied due to the fact that you have left the word "may issue" in the law. If you want money that badly just raise our taxes.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [credeker@hawaii.edu](mailto:credeker@hawaii.edu) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Alvin Bustillo

I oppose this bill

If you have any questions i can be reached at [buba808@yahoo.com](mailto:buba808@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jacob Holcomb

I strongly oppose this bill

This bill is an attempt to side step the legal challenge against the unconstitutional stance that the State of Hawaii has taken when it comes to carrying firearms outside the home.

What is worse is that it sets up exorbitant application and training fees to so that only affluent citizens with the right political connections will be able to afford the right of adequate self protection.

In essence this bill creates a caste system for the application of constitutional rights.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jake@mailbox.org](mailto:jake@mailbox.org) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kevin Louis

I oppose this this bill. Its crazy how I as an American, have to not only pay a fee which is unconstitutional, but ask permission for my own right?? This is just backwards. What about the rest of our constitutional rights? Do we need to pay a tax and or fee on those too? Smh.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kawailehua25@yahoo.com](mailto:kawailehua25@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Gregory Michael Shiwota

Oppose!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [orca@orcaindustries.com](mailto:orca@orcaindustries.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jordan Van Barriger

This is unconstitutional and I highly oppose this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [vbjordan1990@yahoo.com](mailto:vbjordan1990@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kimo Galon

I oppose SB2518. This in no way benefits the constitutional right to bear arms in Hawaii.

SB2518 basically passes the buck from the chief of police to the AG. Written should be amended to state Hawaii as a “shall issue” State. Hawaii is the only state with no reciprocity and zero carry/ conceal carry permits. How can you increase the fee on a permit that is never issued to a rightful Hawaii citizen. Even if the permit was commonly given out increase in fees would result in the alienating of rural citizens who cant afford the right to carry and protect themselves and loved ones

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kimo.galon@gmail.com](mailto:kimo.galon@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is CASS NAKASONE

This law will not change the fact that Hawaii is a "may" issue state. That fact that concealed carry is rarely granted already violates our right to self protection. Once again this just makes the law abiding citizen helpless against criminals who will carry concealed weapons.

Furthermore, this just increases expense without benefit for the abiding citizen.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [onohunter@icloud.com](mailto:onohunter@icloud.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is jorge gonzalez

Hawaii needs to become a SHALL issue state like many other states. These high fees discriminate against law abiding citizens who cannot afford these fees.

These regulations do nothing to reduce crime in Hawaii, criminals will continue to carry firearms illegally.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [fury64@gmail.com](mailto:fury64@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Elijah Kim

Gun control does not stop gun violence. It only disarms law abiding citizens. We need to spend less resources on gun control and more on education, familiarization, and training. Also, mental health and drug addiction prevention. Stop being unconstitutional and stop unnecessary gun control laws.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ejkim173@hotmail.com](mailto:ejkim173@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is steve schramm

not fair why cant I get a carry permit to protect my self against crooks they don't need a carry permit

If you have any questions i can be reached at [schramm\\_steve@yahoo.com](mailto:schramm_steve@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Iosefo Onosai

I strongly oppose this bill because the wording of the bill doesn't make it a guaranteed a person receiving a permit after paying training fees, time and energy.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [joeonosai@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:joeonosai@hawaii.rr.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Matthew Dasalla

I oppose SB2518

The requirements are too costly and time-consuming for the average law abiding citizen. Most citizens will not be able to afford the costs of the application and training to consistently follow the law.

This bill needs to be modified so that the average law abiding citizen can actually afford the time and money to protect themselves.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [dasa3055@yahoo.com](mailto:dasa3055@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Nelson Colburn

The yearly training requirements and costs are prohibitive, in free carry states, the training required is sufficient, and those who have utilized carry in defensive situations have proven so.

If you have any questions i can be reached at win734440@yahoo.com or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is William Hopkins

Dear Legislators,

I oppose this bill. This bill is still a " May issue" and is cost prohibitive for ordinary citizens being \$100 a year and also having to go through a firearm course every year. Having it be a 5 year license would be better at the \$100 and at the renewal of the license a qualification.

I urge you to vote no on this bill.

Respectfully,  
William Hopkins

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rachs@earthlink.net](mailto:rachs@earthlink.net) or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Noel Antalan

\*\*\*\*\*OPPOSE\*\*\*\*\*

Violates the Second Amendment

Takes lawfully owned property from law-abiding gun owners.

Criminalizes law-abiding gun owners.

Some firearms don't have low capacity magazines options.

Some magazines can not be modified.

fixes a problem that does not exist.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [noelantalan@ymail.com](mailto:noelantalan@ymail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Alexander Ham-Deponte

Hawaii isn't the same state that it used to be 5, 10, or even 15 years ago. First of all if concealed carry is issued and people know that it is available. It gives everyone a better chance from being robbed, assaulted etc. Any perpetrator will question, is he carrying? Does she have a gun? Vs open carry where you know who has what openly. Anyone can canvas an area and if everyone conceals then there are more chances to prevent incidents. Hawaii has turned into a state where it can seem no one is safe. There are stabbings at bus stops with screw drivers, knives. What has this place turned into? So many incidents and the person is cause put behind bars for 6 months? 1 year? and then back into society where they reck havoc upon society.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mauiboi9@yahoo.com](mailto:mauiboi9@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Matthew Fernandez

I oppose this bill! Its still a may issue and why we have to pay \$100 for a application? It should be our right to carry and protect our life. Ccw should be our right!! They are armed criminals out there that care less about the laws! Why do we the law abiding citizen have to pay a fee and or have a may issue ccw? I understand the proper training to obtain a ccw but the fee's and may issue?? We should have the right to ccw and to protect our life without paying fees!!!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [islandsoljahz@yahoo.com](mailto:islandsoljahz@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jon Lagon

Strongly Oppose: Is still may issue.

Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).

\$150 of training required each year.

bans open carry for security guards.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jon@visionari.com](mailto:jon@visionari.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Harold Pang

My name is Harold Pang, lifetime resident of the state of Hawai'i. I am a responsible gun owner and have been for many years. I adamantly oppose SB 2518. I believe this bill infringes on my constitutional right to bare arms in the protection of my life, the life of my family, the protection of my property and further violates my civil rights and liberties. This bill places further burden, financial and time on responsible, law abiding gun owners.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [poiboy87@gmail.com](mailto:poiboy87@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Aaron Call

I strongly oppose SB2518. It sounds like a good idea, but it still doesn't allow the people to legally conceal carry or open carry. Instead, it causes law abiding citizens to waste money while trying to exercise their rights. It just changes who declines the applications. I don't feel safe in public knowing that criminals are running around not caring about any laws. I'd feel much safer if law abiding citizens were granted licenses to carry. It's similar to how one might feel safer in an area with police presence. Allow the public to protect themselves with these licenses.

If you have any questions I can be reached at [aaronandrewcall@yahoo.com](mailto:aaronandrewcall@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Robert Nago

I strongly oppose this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rnago@live.com](mailto:rnago@live.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Dextin Apostadiro

Hawaii is a May issue state with a \$100 fee as it stands today. Why raise the fee if we're not changing to a will issue state. I took the handgun safety course and I took it to heart and practice what I learned in that class. Why should I have to take the same class and pay the same fee every year to keep a ccw permit. We live in one of the most expensive locales in the nation, but the state will always find a way to squeeze us for more pennies.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [dextin1527@gmail.com](mailto:dextin1527@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Edward Call

I strongly oppose SB2518. This bill doesn't help law abiding citizens defend themselves. It just changes the may issue permitting process with no intentions of actually granting any permits. SB2518 would discourage law abiding citizens from applying for these permits due to the unrealistic fees and requirements when the likelihood of them being granted doesn't increase. It's not fair that we would have to jump through all these hoops to have a chance to actually protect ourselves in public. Criminals don't care about laws and carry guns illegally. I have personally witnessed people carrying guns illegally. I have been previously been assaulted in the presence of my children. Luckily the firearm they claimed to have was not actually a firearm. I fear that one day some horrible event may occur and I won't be as lucky. I fear I won't be able to protect my family as a result of HPD or the AG denying concealed carry or open carry permits. It is my right to do so and they shouldn't get to decide if I should exercise it. I am responsible for the safety of my family. They count on us following the laws so we can be defenceless. Give law abiding citizens the opportunity to protect themselves instead of allowing us to just become another victim.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [edwardskater@yahoo.com](mailto:edwardskater@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Don Hine

Enforce the other anti-gun laws Hawaii politicians have passed before passing more. Punish criminals, not law abiding citizens.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [eodrgr@hotmail.com](mailto:eodrgr@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Travis Koki

I strongly oppose this bill. This is the most crooked bill I have ever seen.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [desandtrav@yahoo.com](mailto:desandtrav@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Paul Hardy

This bill will do nothing to address the known problem of criminals obtaining firearms illegally from other criminals or the number of illegal weapons already in the state. I strongly oppose this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [pmgtwo@hotmail.com](mailto:pmgtwo@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is cruz call

I oppose SB2518 because \$150 of training required each year.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [cruzcall@yahoo.com](mailto:cruzcall@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Justin Muneoka-Nagy

I am opposed to this bill because it infringes on my second amendment right. Taking away or limiting the ability for a law abiding citizen to defend oneself or put food on their table doesn't stop bad people from doing bad things. You don't blame the car in drunk diving accidents, you blame the driver. You don't blame the knife when a person is attacked with one, you blame the person wielding that knife. Guns don't kill people, people kill people.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [munenagy@aol.com](mailto:munenagy@aol.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Yvette Makahanaloa

I oppose this bill, This bill should read gun class, qualification and 5 year permit .Why would you make it so hard to defend yourself. Again we know who to vote for in the next election.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mauka873@gmail.com](mailto:mauka873@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Carl Wenke

This bill is unconstitutional. MAY issue after all the time and money LAW ABIDING CITIZENS take and spend to TRY and acquire a conceal carry permit. This is outrageous we the people ( Law abiding ) should be allowed to defend or selves and the people anytime anywhere if the means are necessary. The fact that it is already nearly impossible to acquire a concealed carry permit in Hawaii is an infringement on the 2nd amendment and needs to stop.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [hilifemz3@gmail.com](mailto:hilifemz3@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Lou Collazo

3 February 2020

The Honorable Senators and Representatives of Hawaii  
415 S Beretania St, Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senators and Representatives,

My name is Lou Collazo. I am a Navy JROTC instructor at James Campbell High School in Ewa Beach. For over 10 years, I have educated and mentored our youth, inspiring them to becoming better citizens to better represent our great state of Hawaii. Prior to NJROTC, I proudly served 32 years in the United States Navy as Cryptologist Warfare Officer with tours ashore, afloat, and my last tour in Afghanistan. I have spent a career that required me to utilize firearms as a tool to protect lives and property in support of our great nation.

I have earned an expert shooter designation in both rifle and pistol while on active duty. I am currently qualified in both pistol and rifle through the NRA and Front Sight Firearms Academy. I am qualified and licensed for three Conceal Carry Weapons (CCW) permits for Florida, Arizona, and Washington state.

As a pistol CCW permit holder, a retired Naval Officer, and a resident of Hawaii, I speak from my experience. The current proposed bills to impose more gun control on the law-abiding citizens of Hawaii will not impact on the big picture of keeping our Ohana safe. We already have enough restrictive gun laws in our state, which have not stopped bad people from doing harm. New laws are not the answer, you cannot legislate evil from people's hearts.

Since the opening of the current legislative session, there have been dozens of overlapping bills that call for the ban of a particular make of firearms, checks for ammunition and round limits for firearm magazines. These bills, while well intentioned, are all reactionary in nature and would not further the goal of preventing violence and instead would increase harm to innocent people and our state. The passing of these potential gun control bills would 1) Not prevent the crime from occurring, 2) Not affect the operation of a firearm, 3) Have widespread negative economic impacts to our state, 4) Have significant costs to implement, and 5) Have low compliance / be difficult to enforce.

Further restrictions on responsible gun owners will make instant felons out of law-abiding citizens. It will further jeopardize people's safety, their Constitutional Rights to bear arms, defend themselves, and empowers the criminal. Gun control penalizes law abiding citizens. Gun Control cannot prevent bad people from doing bad things. Gun control is costly to the state and harms those it is designed to protect. Please OPPOSE any new gun control laws. It is our right to bear arms. An inalienable right given to us by the US Constitution, 2nd Amendment and Hawaii State Constitution, Article I, section 17.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Lou Collazo

If you have any questions i can be reached at MustangCWO@gmail.com or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Alex Van

I OPPOSE this bill as it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply. Even if they are extremely qualified.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [alex@happraisals.biz](mailto:alex@happraisals.biz) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Gary Robinson

I STRONGLY OPPOSE this bill as unnecessary infringement of a law-abiding citizen's Second Amendment rights.

In addition this bill continues the "may issue" clause for a carry permit which is already an issue, considered to infringe to Second Amendment right. The Cost structure is prohibitive, creating an economic class separation for those who are able to exercise their Second Amendment rights if they have the financial resources for licensing (\$100 which is paid even if you don't get a permit), and the requirements for annual training (\$150 for typical course each year). Please refer to many other states who issue multi-year licenses, and whose training requirements aren't essentially for annual training.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mr\\_edge@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:mr_edge@hawaii.rr.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Gita Anindita

I OPPOSE SB2518 for the following reasons:

1. It keeps concealed carry as may issue. This should be changes to SHALL issue. The Second Amendment of the United States says that the right of the people to keep and bear arms SHALL not be infringed. It does not say the government may infringe on our rights if it feels like it.
2. The yearly fees to APPLY for the concealed Carry License are exorbitant and will prevent those on limited budgets from being able to exercise their Constitutional Right.

I have my Utah Concealed Carry license and can carry in over 37 states nationwide. In 18 of those states, I do not need any permit to carry as their legislatures have removed the licensing requirement. Crime and violence have not increased in the slightest in these states. In fact, crime continues to decrease in these states while it on the increase in states with restrictive gun control schemes.

I OPPOSE this measure and ask you vote NO.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [gita.anindita@gmail.com](mailto:gita.anindita@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jon Abbott

I OPPOSE SB2518 for the following reasons:

1. It keeps concealed carry as may issue. This should be changes to SHALL issue. The Second Amendment of the United States says that the right of the people to keep and bear arms SHALL not be infringed. It does not say the government may infringe on our rights if it feels like it.
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I have my Utah Concealed Carry license and can carry in over 37 states nationwide. In 18 of those states, I do not need any permit to carry as their legislatures have removed the licensing requirement. Crime and violence have not increased in the slightest in these states. In fact, crime continues to decrease in these states while it on the increase in states with restrictive gun control schemes.

I OPPOSE this measure and ask you vote NO.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ja7352385@gmail.com](mailto:ja7352385@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is SHELTON YAMASHIRO

Please OPPOSE this bill.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for 1 year even on the low end of the estimate the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states (C) that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license)

Lastly, a right to keep and bear arms (therefore to carry) is defined as individual "fundamental" right. Restrictions or obstacles to the exercise of those rights MUST be minimally invasive to the exercise of those rights, like "Time&place", etc. restrictions placed upon 1st amendment rights to speech and assembly.

Aloha,  
Shelton Yamashiro

Aloha,  
Shelton Yamashiro

If you have any questions i can be reached at [shelton.yamashiro@gmail.com](mailto:shelton.yamashiro@gmail.com) or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Brandon Blaisdell

I Oppose this bill because it is still a MAY ISSUE. And the cost at still no guaranteed issue of permit to a persons who have already gone through a background check to obtain a firearm is ridiculous.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [brandonblaisdell17@gmail.com](mailto:brandonblaisdell17@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Susan Asato

The fee for the permit is cost prohibitive, and the training requirements do you have a basic pistol course within the last six months would mean a person applying for a permit every year would in fact have to take the basics so of course each and every year costing \$150 in combination with a license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend ourselves

If you have any questions i can be reached at [susan.asato2@gmail.com](mailto:susan.asato2@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Brandon Santiago

I, Brandon Santiago, oppose this bill. The current open carry and concealed carry laws of the state of Hawaii are not fair to law abiding citizens, only favor law enforcement and security agencies, and are unconstitutional. A bill like this would only financially hinder upon the permit holder, and do nothing to deter crime. As an American citizen, it should be the right of the law abiding citizen, to be able to carry any method of self defense, they may deem as suitable. Putting financial burden on lawfully permit holders, will not stop criminals from doing what they do. Not allowing law abiding citizens, the right to lawfully bare arms, open or concealed, is only giving advantage to the criminal element. Criminals don't follow the law.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [brandosantiago1980@gmail.com](mailto:brandosantiago1980@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Cody Haddin

This is only making it harder for average citizen to defend themselves. By making the permit period short and the price high (whether you get the permit or not) is unreasonable and could be interpreted as pricing out people in certain economic brackets.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [Mygmalesack@gmail.com](mailto:Mygmalesack@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Ross Mukai

Hi, I oppose this bill. This bill will impose a chilling effect on concealed carry permit applications ahead of potentially favorable rulings in appellate courts. There is no reason to force outer island residents to travel to correspond with the state attorney general's office, no reason to charge a fee simply for applying, and no reason the state should be able to exercise arbitrary discretion over the availability of a constitutional right. If the requirements for a carry permit are clear, then the bill should list the requirements and issue permits on a "Shall issue" basis. A process that calls for individual review on a case-by-case basis with no standards is the basis for abuse by the system. We do not pay a fee for a permit to protest, although protests may incur significant costs for law enforcement presence. The significant upfront fee combined with arbitrary standards for approval is designed to prevent people from participating in the process required to exercise their rights.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rossmukai@gmail.com](mailto:rossmukai@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is John Hansen

I STRONGLY OPPOSE this bill for the following reasons:

-it still keeps this nonsensical MAY issue instead of SHALL.

-\$100 application fee is ridiculous and is charged even if a permit is not issued.

-\$150 of training required EVERY year. This is crazy!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rydeaway@yahoo.com](mailto:rydeaway@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Ron Klapperich

I oppose this bill because of the burden it puts on legal gun owners and their wish to obtain a CCW. I believe the current process of obtaining a CCW is unconstitutional because the current process is too strict in determining who needs a CCW for protective reasons. So far, there have only been 6 CCW issued by the State. It appears that the State wants to put the process on to the AG because of the continuous lawsuits by gun owners who wish to enact their Constitutional right to bear arms.

B1598 on the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

The reason we oppose this bill is it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

With Hawaii issuing permits only for 1 year even on the low end of the estimate the AG's office would need to process 134 permits a day 5 days a week to be able to hand them all. Whereas issuing a 5-year permit as is done in most states (C) that number becomes much more manageable at 26 a day. The fee also becomes much more manageable at \$20 per year (based on \$100 per license)

(A) <https://www.dailysignal.com/2018/03/06/fact-check-what-percentage-of-americans-have-concealed-carry-permits/>

(B) [https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney\\_General\\_of\\_Hawaii](https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney_General_of_Hawaii)

(C) <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2013/rpt/2013-R-0048.htm>

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rgklapp@yahoo.com](mailto:rgklapp@yahoo.com) or  
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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Roland Advincula

I'm opposed for a simple thought process...why would you restrict those who are following the already archaic laws put in place...

I work a great job, and thus feel like my off hours should be the least of the government's worries regarding IMPOSING PROVEN INEFFECTIVE LAWS...allow true freedoms...

Unless proven...we shouldn't be subjected to laws which will place a false veil of protection on its effected...

PLUS...imposing such proposed would literally be impossible...Unless you want to waste more taxpayer money door knocking and "firearm accessory grabbing"...let us not bring to recent light the current firework ban...and realize all the effectiveness it has on keeping Hawai'i "safer and healthier"

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rolandda01@gmail.com](mailto:rolandda01@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jason Pierce

This is a tax on gun ownership and directly violates the 2nd Amendment. Hawaii should be a Shall Issue state, meaning a law-abiding citizen should be able to carry a firearm UNLESS there is a reason to prevent it. Increasing the fee is burdensome on low-income firearm owners, many of which live in the areas most likely to need self defense. Requiring an additional \$150 of training each year is another tax in violation of 2A, which again hits low-income owners the hardest.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jasonpierce612@hotmail.com](mailto:jasonpierce612@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Davin Asato

I oppose. This bill does not change the existing law of Hawaii as a “may issue” state and is still prohibiting law abiding citizens from being able to protect themselves outside of their homes. Additionally the fee for the application does not secure the approval for the permit and can still be just a added burden to those seeking to protect themselves, family and property.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [davin.asato@gmail.com](mailto:davin.asato@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Mark White

This is wrong. The Attorney General is not the office that should be determining who hold a permit and who does not. This office is too partisan and too closely engaged in criminal prosecution to make a fair judgement on who may be granted a carry permit. The Application Fee is also excessive and uncalled for. Vote no on this bill.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [markkenwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:markkenwhite@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is jaelynn call

I strongly oppose this bill

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jaekdccall@yahoo.com](mailto:jaekdccall@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Raphael Luis

I oppose

If you have any questions i can be reached at [raphael.luis2000@gmail.com](mailto:raphael.luis2000@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kenny Kwan

This bill has no effect since state is a "may issue".

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kennyk@hawaii.edu](mailto:kennyk@hawaii.edu) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Alison Wolford

Reading over this bill appears to be another way to make money. I personally have been through the process of requesting a concealed carry permit after receiving a threat and ZERO response even with a meeting with our Chief of Police, "call 911" and the current paperwork does not have a qualifying shooting proficiency even when on the form.... SO INCOMPLETE.

Training required? Who would be making money on that?????

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mauiali808@gmail.com](mailto:mauiali808@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Woody Child

\$150 for training each year

If you have any questions i can be reached at [wcinkona@usa.com](mailto:wcinkona@usa.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Joshua Doctor

I oppose this bill because I would like to have a way to protect my family in public places and minimize the risk of my family being harmed in public, since criminals don't follow laws and still carry fire arms on them, i would like to be a step ahead to protect me and my family.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [joshuadoctor96@gmail.com](mailto:joshuadoctor96@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is James Edwards

This is against the state law of 'shall issue'.

To charge a citizen to defend themselves is wrong.

One time training seems okay. It to change yearly is wrong. And to charge for every application is just trying to keep poor people downtrodden. Is this just so that only the rich can afford to protect their loved ones?

Or is this just to line the AG pockets?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [hawaiihort@yahoo.com](mailto:hawaiihort@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Gerald Kraesig

Please change the law to "shall issue" instead of "may issue". I feel it is not right to charge someone for something they don't receive.

I don't get why you insist on forcing law biding citizens to defend our constitutional rights every year. You force us to take time from our jobs or use our jobs against those who cannot be present.

I've been to the hearings you've had in the past and have seen more than 97% of the people against the anti-gun laws and yet you still persist in pushing these kind of laws through against overwhelming testimony against them.

How about suggesting laws that will actually take a firearm out of the hands of criminals and actually punish those who use firearms while committing criminal acts with very stiff sentences and stop trying to turn law-biding citizens into criminals.

Please stop.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kraesigj001@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:kraesigj001@hawaii.rr.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Justus Ibana

I oppose

If you have any questions i can be reached at [justus.ibana4@gmail.com](mailto:justus.ibana4@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is James Ryan

I strongly oppose SB2518. This bill will do nothing to reduce crime. It is another attempt to suppress open carry and concealed carry through onerous and egregious fees and abusive "may issue" government policies. According to a report by the Daily Wire (August 10th, 2016) , the number of crimes committed by carry permit holders is ridiculously low, even lower than crimes committed by police officers, according to studies in Texas and Florida. The main takeaway from the report: concealed carry permit holders are the most law-abiding group in the country and are a deterrent to crime. OPPOSE THIS BILL!!!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jrwjryan@gmail.com](mailto:jrwjryan@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Casey Nakama

I am Against this bill. I am a law abiding, God fearing, productive citizen in this beautiful state Hawaii. This law violates the 2nd Amendment. We the people are the good people. Criminals will do their harm regardless of laws. Our forefathers wrote the constitution for a reason, it was for the people.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [casey\\_nakama@hotmail.com](mailto:casey_nakama@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kyle Straub

I live in Pearl City and will keep this short.

I oppose this bill. It does not change the may issue problem, which means it is unlikely you can obtain one. Constitutional Carry is already off the table and the people have no options for self defense outside of there home. The police are never there when a crime actually happens and if you were in the need to be able to defend yourself with deadly force you have no legal options. The average person under the law is forced to be a victim.

The associated fees are also out of line with the cost to actually process the applications.

Meaning that the stare will profit from a service offered to the people. Denial of the permit out of hand is an automatic gain to the state with little in the way of any effort expended.

Cash grab.

Training Is also costly both in money and time. This is an expenditure which has to be put forth on good faith from the applicants with out any guarantee of successfully receiving the license.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [quintessential@hotmail.com](mailto:quintessential@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Forrest Shoemaker

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit found a right to concealed carry outside the home. So did the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. And the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has split the baby, upholding limitations on concealed carry while invalidating restrictions on open carry.

Here again Hawaii legislators simply refuse to accept reality. It's only a matter of time before Hawaii is forced to revise it's concealed carry/open carry laws which are undoubtedly Unconstitutional. I would urge you to expand "citizens rights" under this bill which does good things by standardizing State Law and requiring proper training. However it stills restricts Me, a law abiding citizen from my legal constitutional right. I will fight until this is achieved as everyone has the right to self defense especially with armed robbery and assaults ever rising in our Aloha State.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [shoebedo@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:shoebedo@hawaiiantel.net) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Tamare Rubon

This is a violation of the Second Amendment.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [trubon95@gmail.com](mailto:trubon95@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is David Parrish

The proposed application fee is too high, given that the chances of an average citizen being granted one is nil. I could support some form of this if applications were to be issued unless reason is found to deny it, such as a criminal record. I oppose.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [whiterook808@gmail.com](mailto:whiterook808@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Marc Shimatsu

I oppose this bill because it still requires "permission" to exercise our second amendment right to self protection and issuance is not a guarantee. It also puts undue financial burden on the applicant since there is a hefty application fee attached in addition to the cost of attending yearly training courses as this bill requires. This bill does not make us safer as it further puts self-protection out of reach of the financially challenged.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [tazman\\_269@hotmail.com](mailto:tazman_269@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Sebastian Simon-ganti

I oppose SB2518. I feel it is unconstitutional. We need to have conceal carry/open carry permits granted. This prevents the public from protecting themselves as best as possible.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ssimonganti@gmail.com](mailto:ssimonganti@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Ronald KeelingJr

Why cant we conceal or open carry?You want charge a fee for apapplication and not give anyone a license to carry.Time after time citizens that are armed diffuse situations and saves countless lives because they are carrying their firearm.Lets face it by the time police get there everyone is dead.

Right now the criminals have more guns then the law abiding citizens.I don't mind 100.00 every 5 years and I have taken the nra pistol class online 8 hrs long just to obtain a pistol permit.Why cant we have a permit?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rkeelingjr@yahoo.com](mailto:rkeelingjr@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Robert Carroll

Oppose

If you have any questions i can be reached at [robertjcjr@outlook.com](mailto:robertjcjr@outlook.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Leif Akaji

Aloha,

I strongly oppose this bill. Here's why.

- 1) The monetary cost is very high with no return for the application being denied.
- 2) This would create a bottle-neck in the Attorney Generals office that taxpayers like myself would foot the bill for.
- 3) My gut feeling is that the non refundable fee is punitive. Does that show the Aloha Spirit.

Thank you for your time,

Leif J. Akaji

If you have any questions i can be reached at [leifjakaji@hotmail.com](mailto:leifjakaji@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is David Sumikawa

I oppose the bill. It is a violation of the 2nd amendment.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [davesumi@gmail.com](mailto:davesumi@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Isaiah Daquioag

I oppose SB2518 because I feel Hawaii needs to be a shall issue state. I don't want to pay the application fees and class fees just for my permit to be declined. If Hawaii becomes a shall issue state, then it would become a safer place for everyone. Good guys with guns would prevent criminals from committing crimes.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [isaiahdaquioag@ymail.com](mailto:isaiahdaquioag@ymail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jeremy Van

I OPPOSE this bill as it would still provide that permits are MAY issue, this keeps the status quo, where a person is not guaranteed to be issued a permit should they apply. Even if they are extremely qualified.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive, the claim is being made that the \$100 price tag in this bill is to cover the actual cost of issuing the permit. A person applying for a permit would have already undergone a strict vetting process when obtaining their firearm, a NICS check takes less than 30 minutes to conduct and is free when ran by an approved agency. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10.

The training requirements in this bill would require a person to have take the basic pistol course within the last 6 months. This would mean a person applying for a permit every year would, in fact, have to take the basic pistol course each and every year. On average the cost of the pistol course is \$150. This in combination with the license fee would equate to \$250 each and every year just to be able to defend themselves.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jvanrp@hotmail.com](mailto:jvanrp@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jon Gushiken

I oppose this bill.

The change that needs to happen is not moving the approving authority from the Police Chief's office to the AG's office; it should be changing the designation from MAY ISSUE to SHALL ISSUE.

Concealed Carry weapon holders are statistically the most law-abiding sector in the public. CCW holders are more law-abiding than the police, statistically speaking.

Creating the \$100 application fee is punitive, and would prevent some CCW applicants from obtaining their license - especially if the applicant is in the lower-income brackets. The right to self-defense shouldn't only be for the rich or "elites" - it should be available to all citizens.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [gush99@gmail.com](mailto:gush99@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Nick Richardson

Carry licenses are not given to regular citizens already. You've already made it essentially illegal to carry a firearm by never offering permits. Dont you see you have already accomplished your goal? Why waste time on legislative efforts which benefit no one?

If you have any questions i can be reached at [bolus7@protonmail.com](mailto:bolus7@protonmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is BYON NAKASONE

OPPOSE

If you have any questions i can be reached at [info@defenseassets.com](mailto:info@defenseassets.com) or

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**Subject:** Testimony in opposition to SB2518  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 4, 2020 10:11:54 AM

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Julian Tongpalan Jr.

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Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).

\$150 of training required each year.

bans open carry for no security guards.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ridgerunner1@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:ridgerunner1@hawaii.rr.com) or

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 1:48:52 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Ryan Arakawa	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose this bill. There should not be a fee for exercising a constitutional right. Most states have a CCW program in place without problems - why is Hawaii so retarded?

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 2:50:04 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Calvin Kajiwara	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

**I OPPOSE THIS BILL BECAUSE:**

- **Is still may issue not SHALL issue**
- **Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).**
- **\$150 of training required each year.**
- **bans open carry for no security guards.**

HB1598 on the surface seems like a good idea, it would take the decision to issue carry permits away from the county police departments and move it to the Attorney General office.

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Depending on the study you look (A) at between 3.5 and 7.7 percent of the adult population have a concealed carry permit. If Hawaii was to start issuing permits and we applied the same percentages Hawaii would have to issue somewhere between 35,000 and 77,000 permits each year. At \$100 per permit, the AG's office would incur an income of 3.5-7.7 million dollars a year, this is between 5-10% of the AG's total budget (B).

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(A) <https://www.dailysignal.com/2018/03/06/fact-check-what-percentage-of-americans-have-concealed-carry-permits/>

(B) [https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney\\_General\\_of\\_Hawaii](https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney_General_of_Hawaii)

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 7:15:21 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Bill Richter	Testifying for Lessons in Firearms Education	Oppose	No

Comments:

Re: SB2518

To who it may concern:

The ability to protect yourself is a fundamental right. Hawaii has been depriving its law-abiding citizens from carrying firearms in public via a may-issue (or more correctly, never issue) concealed carry law for decades where politically motivated police chiefs have sole discretion in approving or denying applications for permits.

To suggest that an even more politically motivated bureaucrat such as the Attorney General is the proper venue for issuing these permits is a slap in the face of your law-abiding constituents.

Please oppose this bill.

Thank you.

Re: SB2519

To who it may concern,

As in the law, proper use of terminology is important. Words have meaning. Your attempt to portray those magazines that hold more than 10 rounds as "large capacity" is ridiculous and indicative of a lack of understanding of firearms or a willful attempt to deceive the public for political purposes.

Like a car, a firearm is manufactured with certain standard parts. Most modern firearms are manufactured to accept a "standard" capacity magazine specifically designed for that particular firearm. Most modern firearms, pistols and rifles are designed to accept magazines with a capacity greater than 10 rounds.

Citizens who are victims of violent crimes face the very same violent criminals that police do, yet are expected to be able to defend themselves with your proposed 10 round magazines. If these "reduced capacity" magazines are sufficient for law-abiding



citizens, why are they not sufficient for law enforcement? Why, when police are not legally mandated to protect any citizen and when they are unable to stop 93% of violent attacks, would you want to prevent them from using the very same tools as law enforcement. Or do you place more value on the ability of a police officer to defend themselves from a violent attack than one of your law-abiding constituents?

Please oppose this bill.

Thank you,

Bill Richter, President

Lessons in Firearms Education

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 7:47:43 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jeremy Kahaialii	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Our god given right to life and liberty which is protected by our great constitution of the united states created by our countries founding fathers, who also created a government amongst men to protect our constitution. That is the sole purpose of government, to protect our constitutional rights. Our right to keep and bear arms are guaranteed to us already. Why are we still even entertaining this corrupted perception of legislator's! The states may issue laws are illegal and need to be struck from law books. Shall issue is the only legal way.

Mahalo

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 8:27:41 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kealii Kahaialii	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

There should be no one with authority over law abiding citizens rights to bear arms, concealed nor unconcealed. So, I **strongly OPPOSE!**

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 10:07:56 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nicolai Barca	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

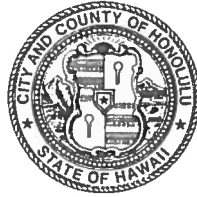
If on Kauai or another neighbor island, the applicant should be able to acquire permit on that island/county without having to go to Oahu. However, that permit should only be valid on that island/county. If the applicant desires the permit to be statewide, then I agree with the bill that they should need to get that from the attorney general, which I assume is on Oahu. However, from the neighbor island point of view, that would be very Oahu-centric and could place neighbor-island applicants at a disadvantage. The county's right to give permits for their county should not be infringed, even though an additional state-wide permit system is also needed.

Firearms safety training is probably the greatest factor reducing gun crime and accidents and so I am happy to see it written into the bill as a requirement. However, 180 days (6 months) is a very small window. The skills and good safety habits acquired in these training courses stay with most applicants for much longer than 180 days. Some say "for life". 180 days seems very arbitrary. Why not 365 days? I do agree that concealed carry permit holders should be under greater scrutiny of educational and safety requirements than the standard gun owner. Every new gun user benefits from such courses and they serve, in the long run, to strengthen the pro-gun lobby in Hawaii by reducing firearm incidents and educating firearm owners. In my opinion, all gun owners should be required to do a safety course *ONCE* in their life before acquiring a firearm and not again unless for special permits such as this.

Furthermore, the language "in exceptional cases" is arbitrary and needs to be specified so that it is not up to the choice or opinion of an attorney general's or chief of police. Perhaps it should even be crossed out entirely and it should be open to anybody who meets the requirements.

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February 6, 2020

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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 Bill No. 2518, Relating to Firearms

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

The HPD supports Senate Bill No. 2518, Relating to Firearms.

This bill proposes changes to the State of Hawaii's open and concealed firearm licenses to carry. We support the changes centralizing the approval of these licenses with the State Attorney General, while retaining the approval of armed security guard licenses with the county police departments and the requirement of a minimum level of training in order to obtain one of these licenses.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of David P. Nilsen in black ink.

David P. Nilsen, Major  
Records and Identification Division

APPROVED:

Handwritten signature of Susan Ballard in black ink.

Susan Ballard  
Chief of Police

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**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/6/2020 10:04:43 AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Brian Cabreira	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose this bill. It gives too much power without checks and balances, especially to non elected parties.

**SB-2518**

Submitted on: 2/6/2020 10:42:30 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/6/2020 1:15:00 PM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Constance Perry	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support this bill.

Mahalo,

Constance Perry



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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Soleil Roache

I strongly oppose this bill.

The fee for the permit is cost-prohibitive. It would make a constitutionally protected right virtually out of reach for poor people who don't have the funds to take a firearms class every year (average \$150) plus pay the \$100 for the application. Honolulu issues driver licenses that are valid for two years and cost only \$10. The \$100 fee is outrageous!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [soleilroache@yahoo.com](mailto:soleilroache@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Nicholas Poole

This law would be cost burdensome on law abiding citizens who just want a way to protect themselves or their families.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mr.gq79@yahoo.com](mailto:mr.gq79@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Damian Bissonnette

Is still may issue.

Fee is \$100 for APPLICATION (you pay this even if you don't get a permit).

\$150 of training required each year.

bans open carry for no security guards.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [damianbissonnette@gmail.com](mailto:damianbissonnette@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is travis montgomery

NOW WE HAVE OUR 1ST AND 2ND AMENDMENT AWAY THEN WE GET CHARGE FOR TRAINING

If you have any questions i can be reached at [tjmontgomery85@GMAIL.COM](mailto:tjmontgomery85@GMAIL.COM) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jeremy Orendorff

Violates the Second Amendment.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [jermo133@gmail.com](mailto:jermo133@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Benjamin Holbrook

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(B) [https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney\\_General\\_of\\_Hawaii](https://ballotpedia.org/Attorney_General_of_Hawaii)

(C) <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2013/rpt/2013-R-0048.htm>

If you have any questions i can be reached at [benkholbrook@gmail.com](mailto:benkholbrook@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Raymond Ishii

I am a retired Deputy Sheriff with 32 years of service to the people of the State of Hawaii and I strongly oppose SB2518.

I am currently attempting to obtain my retired Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Qualification to carry a firearm and the bureaucracy involved is clearly designed to discourage retired LEOs from attempting to obtain their qualification to carry a firearm.

To transfer the current permit to carry a firearm authority from the county to a large State bureaucracy is a clear attempt to discourage the law abiding citizens of Hawaii the ability to defend themselves.

The current permit to carry a firearm law is being challenged as unconstitutional as it allows the Chiefs of Police sole authority to deny the a law abiding citizen the right to defend themselves. The recent violent attacks against tourist in Waikiki and the attacks against the elderly and recent home invasion shows that the law abiding citizens of Hawaii need the ability to defend themselves against violent criminals.

The politicians of the State of Hawaii prefer the crime victims to be unarmed and helpless and these same politicians say that rather than fight back against your mugger, your rapist, the criminal with a guns, knife or club that intend to rob, assault or kill you. You should simply call the Police, and the untold truth is when second count, the Police are minutes away. If you survive your attack, the Police will respond, they will write the report and the criminals may be caught. But the law abiding victim of the crime will have to live the rest of their lives with both physical and phycological injuries for the rest of their lives.

Please replace this obvious attempt to keep the law abiding citizens unarmed and vulnerable to the unlawful criminals who prey on the elderly and weak with a bill that will allow the citizens of the State of Hawaii to legally defend themselves.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ray38super@gmail.com](mailto:ray38super@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Judy Goo

I would like to be able to Conceal Carry. I have never been worried well being about until recently. For twenty years I go to the Interstate Building twice a month. On Jan 4th a women just got sexually assaulted. The elevator opened and the suspect was standing blocking her from exiting.

I am for Conceal carry but I am not in favor of the high fees and application fees associated with it. The permit should be good for at least 5 years as in almost every state the CCW is good for 5 years.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [judyg@djspec.com](mailto:judyg@djspec.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Peri-Ann Barros-lee

For what to make more money off of us its not we can't get a cow license its you people never issue then doesn't make sense that we are only allowed to defend ourselves in our home

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kimiemieko@gmail.com](mailto:kimiemieko@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Raymund Bragado

I'm a retired service member with 2 combat tours in Iraq 2003 and 2008. I took an oath to support and defend the Constitution and my oath will never expire. The 2nd Amendment of the Constitution is being violated by this state law. Please stand by our Constitution, I ask you to support and defend it.

This bill doesn't need to be passed, how many people has a CCW in this state? "May Issue" clause doesn't guarantee a permit to carry. The application fee even if you don't get a permit is \$100, training is \$150 every year. Again, please do not violate our 2nd Amendment.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [ray729man@yahoo.com](mailto:ray729man@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Michael Burnham

This Bill is MAY Issue. As we can see from transcripts in Young vs State of Hawaii, Hawaii has a sad track record when it comes to issuing carry permits. A SHALL issue Bill would be more inline with the outcome in Young vs State of Hawaii, and of course the 2nd Amendment (Shall not be infringed).

The fees and additional training are onerous. While training should be encouraged it should not be mandated by statute.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [mabhawaii@hotmail.com](mailto:mabhawaii@hotmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Tim Soderholm

I oppose SB2518. While I favor the idea of taking the discretion to issue permits to carry firearms from chiefs of police and vesting it in the Attorney General, the “may issue” provision (requirement to show exceptional circumstances prior to permit approval) is an unconstitutional infringement on an existing right. Further, the increase to the fee and the requirement to pay the fee to merely APPLY for a permit is a clear attempt to discourage citizens from even ATTEMPTING to exercise a constitutionally protected right. I urge all legislators to vote against SB2518.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [tsoderholm@icloud.com](mailto:tsoderholm@icloud.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Seana Hanlon

I have been attacked several times by packs of wild dogs and people in the jungles of the big island, in each instance I should have had a gun but because of the State's laws I was defenseless. This law conflicts with our right to self defense by unequally burdening people in lower incomes to maintain their right to defense.

If you have any questions I can be reached at [sohanlon2013@gmail.com](mailto:sohanlon2013@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Jerson Gabinete

People with good standings should be allowed to concealed carry. It's our right & 2 amendment. There's been a lot of robberies that criminals use guns! What can you do to prevent that ? Nothing Cause even the police can't help u. Training & fees all you guys want is money. You guys don't think of the people! We shouldn't have to pay for anything its our right and our 2 amendment!! What gives you guys the right to take it away from us when it's our bill of rights !!!!

If you have any questions i can be reached at [illest862@gmail.com](mailto:illest862@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Rikki Rutt

I am strongly opposed to this bill it will only effect law abiding citizens like me and not discourage criminals who are most likely to use firearms in a negative manner.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [rikkirutt@yahoo.com](mailto:rikkirutt@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Kenneth Takeuchi

I oppose this bill because it is essentially a government scam. Hawaii is still a "may issue" state and requiring an application fee for a process that will most likely be denied without actually looking at the application is just ridiculous. The bill states "increase the fee to more accurately reflect

the time and resources spent on application". If this is the reasoning, then in actuality, it should be free since I guarantee minimal to no time and resources are spent during the process when currently the application receives a rubber stamp denial.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [kktakeuc@yahoo.com](mailto:kktakeuc@yahoo.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is Sandi Lyn Brown

I was born and raised in Hilo, Hawaii. I have had MANY family members and relatives in the law enforcement field. We all know that there had been much scandal and questionable activity surrounding many members of our law enforcement force. Yet, the people introducing this bill, want to leave it up to the OPINION of these UNAPPOINTED officials? THAT is as undemocratic as you can get. This proposed bill creates a dictatorship, and puts too much unchecked power into the hands of uninformed individuals.

The MacDonald and Heller decisions in the Supreme Court uphold the individual right to carry a firearm for personal protection. Every state that allows personal concealed carry has had reductions in violent crime and it has repeatedly been shown that restrictions against the law abiding have little, if any effect on crime. There may be more firearms than people in this state and our low violent crime rates do not support added regulations that will only affect the law abiding firearms community.

If you have any questions i can be reached at [maulapafarms@gmail.com](mailto:maulapafarms@gmail.com) or

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To the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,

This testimony is submitted in opposition to SB2518.

My name is K M

The price seems expensive in comparison to other places

If you have any questions i can be reached at [faiyaback@gmail.com](mailto:faiyaback@gmail.com) or

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