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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2622, HOUSE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO FIREARMS

Before the House Committee on Finance

Tuesday, February 27, 2024; 12:00 p.m.

State Capitol Conference Room 308, Via Videoconference

Testifiers: Michael Vincent, or Jared Redulla

Chair Yamashita, Vice Chair Kitagawa, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) **strongly supports**, House Bill 2622, House Draft 1.

This bill appropriates moneys to the DLE to continue with the voluntary firearm buyback program.

The DLE would like to conduct voluntary firearm buyback programs in each county. The requested appropriation would be used to conduct the buybacks, storage and disposal of firearms, costs incurred by supporting agencies and partners, and administrative costs associated with the program.

The DLE recommends \$825,000 for the appropriation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 10:38:45 AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Michael I Rice	Individual	Comments	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

I disagree with the assertion that Gun Buybacks work to reduce gun related crimes, and there has been no evidence to show as such, and for that reason I disagree with gun buybacks on principle, however I am not fully against buybacks as they can serve a legitimate purpose, however limited.

Typically a criminal will either dump, or sell their gun after using it in a crime to another criminal. There are even some criminal rings out there that treat firearms as if they're a rental service. Though some criminals have used buybacks as a means to dispose of evidence by turning in guns that are 'too hot' for them to resell.

There has also been some controversy about buybacks recently, where parts from firearms that were supposedly destroyed after a buyback were found intact after the contractor responsible disassembled the firearms and legally resold parts. This isn't counting other incidents where contractors and even law enforcement officers have stolen firearms, marked them as destroyed, then turned around and sold them intact on the black market.

In previous testimony on SB2346, specifically, in response to the issue of people making cheaply made ghost guns in order to take advantage of the turn in, the Department of Law Enforcement claimed they would not accept such firearms, which is counterintuitive since such weapons are still deadly and illegal under state law despite their crude nature. Through such an act of irresponsibility, public safety is impaired rather than enhanced.

The Department of Law Enforcement also testified that one officer at the buyback mentioned that some of the firearms turned in at the buyback were not only suitable for police use but were actually of the same make and model that they were in the process of buying and inquired if they could simply add the weapon to their armory. The officer in charge reluctantly said they could not keep the firearm due to the wording of the law.

During the recent buybacks on Oahu, people were waiting in their cars for long periods of time, backing up traffic on the road while officers processed the firearms. This also raises the possibility that if such buybacks become a regular thing, criminals might take advantage of a large number of unregistered guns concentrated in one area. They might either go car to car offering a larger amount of cash for the firearms, or simply take a risk and carjack someone waiting in line in the hopes of netting not only a vehicle but weapons as well. Despite the presence of police at the buyback, their presence was still minimal.

The only aspect of the bill that I can support is that the bill does offer a method for those who inherit firearms from a family member or loved one who have no idea what to do with them and conveniently provides a means to safely dispose of them. However, this often causes guns with historic provenance to be destroyed or be turned in for a petty fraction of what their worth is. Thus, I would like to propose the following changes:

1) Advertise and offer a year round turn in where the public can turn in firearms in their possession to their local Police Department's precinct, not the main headquarters. This reduces the distance people will have to travel since guns will be on the streets for a lesser duration of time and will only be on the road for a short distance. If not, everyone will be forced to be funneled to a remote location and may defer any desire for turn-in, thereby counteracting the point of the bill.

2) The Police Department will take custody of the firearms and check to make sure they were not stolen, prohibited, or connected to a past crime.

a) should the firearm in question be connected to a crime or is otherwise illegal, they will be given whatever the standard payout is for the firearm turn in and the Police will properly dispose of the firearm.

b) should the firearm in question be otherwise legal to sell, Police will maintain custody of the firearm and inform the individual that they may elect to have one or more Federal Firearms Licensee(s) (Gunstore) appraise the firearm for its value. If the Possessor elects to instead sell their firearm to an FFL, Police will turn over the firearm directly to the FFL and the FFL will pay the Possessor. If the Possessor does not wish to go through with the FFL transaction they will receive the standard payout.

3) Give some discretion to the responsible department regarding the fate of firearms, whether they be destroyed, retained by law enforcement or another City/State agency for use, offered as a donation to a museum, ect, or auctioned off for the legal gun market to raise funds.

I believe these suggestions would not only save taxpayer money, but also allow those who turn in firearms to get fair value for their property through private means.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

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Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Leolani Mahuka iwaki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill!

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 11:38:16 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Vincent r Golio	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This smells like a giant "look at me, I'm Foodland Farms, I care" bill. If I wanted to dispose of a gun, I would do it the constitutional way...by selling it privately and keeping the government out of my business. OPPOSE.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 11:44:55 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
kamakani de dely	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 11:49:25 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Mallory De Dely	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 11:54:22 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Susan Dedely	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill



**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 12:00:27 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
James K. Rzonca	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Totally oppose this bill

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 12:08:34 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
M. Leilani DeMello	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

Kāko‘o ‘ole au i kēia pila. I OPPOSE this bill because our funds should be directed to areas of law enforcement that will actually make a difference. Criminals will not turn in weapons and law abiding citizens should maintain their access to firearms in order to protect themselves and their families. Also, the amount that people receive in the buy back is ridiculously low.

Mahalo,

M. Leilani DeMello

‘Ōla‘a, Puna, Hawai‘i

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 12:21:38 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Teresa Parmenter	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose HB2622

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 1:05:46 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Sharron VanDeusen	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE HB2622.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 1:16:40 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Magoon Ohana	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose- Our Tax dollars should be used for other things that are more important.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 2:09:30 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
James R Cabodol Jr	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Most ridiculous bill ever definetly oppose

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 3:12:57 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Rosemarie Vailisale	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I, Rosemarie Vailisale, do not support bill

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 4:05:19 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Sash Fitzsimmons	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose gun buyback



**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 4:06:09 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
CHESTER LUM	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Thank you for allowing me to submit testimony opposing this bill.

HB2622 should be withdrawn and no funds appropriated.

Once again, thank you for allowing me to submit testimony opposing this bill.

Chester Lum

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 5:59:47 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Catherine Thyne	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Legislature,

With Hawaii citizens struggling already with High Taxes why are we spending \$ on this and not more important issues affecting hard working tax paying citizens?

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 10:08:28 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Alice Abellanida	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. This is a backhanded attempt to disarm this country. It is a slippery slope that leads to tyranny. It does not make us safer, it makes us more vulnerable to criminals.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/24/2024 10:35:14 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Terri Yoshinaga	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill!

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 1:13:41 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Jeff miller	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Gun buy back is a gun grab but in nice words. This is Hawaii and per capita there aren't many guns except the bad guys have then and this non common sense bill doesn't fix the issue but make the streets unsafe. Do your diligence and fund real numbers. 2 plus 2 isn't 11

no and no to this bill.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 11:32:49 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Andrew Crossland	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I **OPPOSE** this Bill.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 12:14:22 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ian Mccauley	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Most fire arms cost way more than a \$200 gift card to foodland. WTF is wrong with you guys?!  
Who writes this bills?

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 4:31:04 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Larry Duclayan	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**Testimony in Opposition of Hawaii House Bill HB2622**

**Statement of Position:** This testimony is written to express strong opposition to **House Bill HB2622**, which pertains to appropriating funds for the state’s gun buyback program. The program offers up to \$200 in Foodland Farms gift cards in exchange for each firearm. This bill is ineffective, wasteful, and unconstitutional.

**Background Information:** HB2622 aims to appropriate an unspecified amount of funds for the state’s gun buyback program, which offers residents a safe way to dispose of unwanted or unlawful firearms, including automatic firearms, semi-automatic rifles, and unregulated, unserialized “ghost guns”. The bill claims that this measure is necessary to reduce gun violence and protect public safety. However, this bill is ineffective, as there is no evidence that gun buyback programs reduce crime or prevent accidents. It is also wasteful, as it would spend taxpayer money on a program that has low participation and high costs. It is also unconstitutional, as it infringes on the right to keep and bear arms.

**Specific Arguments and Evidence:**

**1. Ineffectiveness and Lack of Evidence:**

- HB2622 is ineffective, as there is no evidence that gun buyback programs reduce crime or prevent accidents.
- Gun buyback programs are voluntary and anonymous, and therefore do not target the guns that are most likely to be used in crime or accidents, such as stolen, illegal, or unregistered guns.
- Gun buyback programs also do not affect the supply or demand of guns in the market, as they are easily replaced by new or existing guns.
- [Gun buyback programs have no measurable impact on homicide, suicide, robbery, assault, or accidental death rates, according to several studies](#)<sup>123</sup>.
- HB2622 is ineffective, as there is no evidence that gun buyback programs reduce crime or prevent accidents, and therefore no need to appropriate funds for the state’s gun buyback program.

**2. Wastefulness and Cost:**

- HB2622 is wasteful, as it would spend taxpayer money on a program that has low participation and high costs.



- HB2622 does not specify the amount of funds to be appropriated for the state’s gun buyback program, nor does it provide any estimate of the number of guns to be collected or the value of the gift cards to be distributed.
- HB2622 does not address the potential issues of fraud, abuse, or misuse of the program, such as selling non-functional or illegal guns, or using the gift cards for other purposes.
- HB2622 does not consider the opportunity cost of spending money on the state’s gun buyback program, rather than on other programs or services that could have more benefits or impacts.
- HB2622 is wasteful, as it would spend taxpayer money on a program that has low participation and high costs, without any clear benefit or accountability.

**3. Unconstitutionality and Rights:**

- HB2622 is unconstitutional, as it infringes on the right to keep and bear arms.
- The Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution states that “the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.”
- The U.S. Supreme Court has affirmed that this right applies to individuals, not just militias, and that it includes the right to possess and use firearms for lawful purposes, such as self-defense.
- The state’s gun buyback program, while voluntary, may coerce or pressure some individuals to surrender their firearms, especially if they are offered a high value of gift cards or face legal consequences for possessing certain types of guns.
- The state’s gun buyback program may also deprive some individuals of their property without due process or compensation, as the gift cards may not reflect the true value or utility of the firearms.
- HB2622 is unconstitutional, as it infringes on the right to keep and bear arms, and may violate the rights of property and due process.

**Conclusion:** This testimony urges the legislature to reject HB2622. This bill is ineffective, wasteful, and unconstitutional, as it would appropriate funds for the state’s gun buyback program, which offers up to \$200 in Foodland Farms gift cards in exchange for each firearm. This bill is ineffective, as there is no evidence that gun buyback programs reduce crime or prevent accidents. It is also wasteful, as it would spend taxpayer money on a program that has low participation and high costs. It is also unconstitutional, as it infringes on the right to keep and bear arms.

This testimony is written in opposition to this bill.

Mahalo,

Larry Duclayan

**HB-2622-HD-1**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
J Miles	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose. Do your job and prosecute criminals, not waste taxpayer money.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 6:52:15 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Terry Murakami	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 7:48:53 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Janice Johnson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose a gun buy back program to bait law abiding US citizens to give up their 2A rights and in return receive gift cards will not offer protection for themself or their family from crime.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 7:49:27 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Doug Pasnik	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this legislation.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 8:02:39 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Peggy Regentine	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose. Do you think criminals are going to return their guns for \$200 from Foodland? Sorry but this is so stupid to think anyone would really think their firearm is worth a couple of steaks in return.. They should watch the movie A Monk & his Gun.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 8:13:50 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
TERI SAVAIINAEA	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose 2622.

Thank you,

Teri Savaiinaea

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 8:16:18 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Vivek Pathela	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

OPPOSE!



**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 8:49:41 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
L Miles	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 10:08:56 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
james wallace	Individual	Oppose	In Person

Comments:

I oppose HB2622. That gun grab bill is obviously written by a communist minded buffon. In history that's the pattern of these communist countries of how they start off taking guns away. We should compensate those up Maui since the biggest crime in history has occurred, which was a massacre. Ignoring over 2000 people died is sad. More people murdered in Maui in 1 day more than people died of guns in 200 years. Do something!!!!!!

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/25/2024 11:44:41 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Vernelle Oku	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

Please do not use tax payer funds to disarm the people and infringe on their 2nd Amendment rights.

Any legislator that votes for this bill is violating their oath to the constitution and will be held responsible.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 1:23:22 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Luis Ma	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill, I think should use funding to build more states prison so states don't need continue do catch and release for criminals.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 7:44:53 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Christopher Gouveia	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 7:58:41 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Yvonne Alvarado	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Yvonne Alvarado Oppose to Bill HB2622 HD1

**HB-2622-HD-1**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Marcus Tanaka	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This should be offered year round at HPD stations or HPD can come to pick up any unwanted firearms. There also should be an immunity clause in the bill. And increase the price offered. \$600 for a pistol and \$1000 for a rifle and let it be cash. And have no limit.

The buy backs cause traffic and a long wait. Due to HI's places to keep law, if one has to use the restroom, they cannot stop anywhere else to do so. Which is why I suggest the above.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:18:50 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Joelle Seashell	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Everyone who knows history knows what government gun buy backs preceed. This legislation is absolutly incidious and anti american. To suggest that our taxpayer money should fund unconstitutionally themed legislation is a slap in our face.



**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:29:27 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Noela von Wiegandt	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I oppose HB 2622 strongly.

Thank you.

Noela von Wiegandt

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:33:09 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
julie schaus	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose HB2622

this is a ridiculous bill. people use their guns to hunt for food

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:48:10 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ryan Willis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I STRONGLY OPPOSE; “Firearm buyback program” would entail that the Department of Law Enforcement sold the firearms in the first place. Does the Department of Transportation “buyback” vehicles that because they MAY be used in an accident?

I DO NOT approve of my tax paying funds to be used by ANY government department to “buyback” consumer goods.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:49:26 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Greg schaus	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose HB2622

no fool wants a food voucher instead of self defense.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:52:26 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Richard Domingo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

i oppose this bill.

if for any reason im expected/forced to sell my firearms, i'd appreciate it if i got what i paid for. Not a "up to \$200" gift card. This does nothing but leave Law Abiding Citizens defenseless. Sure you can make the argument that some law abiding citizens want nothing to do with firearms anymore but answer me this, out of all the people that turned in firearms in the last buy back, how much of them were criminals? With that being said, i restate my stance. I oppose HB2622 as it is a waste of resources.

Thank you for your time

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 8:52:53 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Kanoe Willis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

HB2622 - I STRONGLY OPPOSE; "Firearm buyback program" would entail that the Department of Law Enforcement sold the firearms in the first place. Does the Department of Transportation "buyback" vehicles that because they MAY be used in an accident?

I DO NOT approve of my tax paying funds to be used by ANY government department to "buyback" consumer goods.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 9:17:31 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Sam schaus	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose Hb2622

No one in their right mind would trade their self protection for a food card.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 9:24:37 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Deven English	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

In strong opposition.



**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 9:26:18 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Sierra Palpallatoc	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Its absolutely ludacris that you're trying to bribe people to give up their means of self defense while also making our communities more dangerous through soft on crime legislation.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 11:57:37 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ro Kaing	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose HB2622. The guns usually party to such buyback programs are old, malfunctioning and always not the guns that are used to carry out violent crimes. Violence will not be reduced. Criminals will not participate in this program, only those that seek to sell an already worthless gun.

**HB-2622-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2024 2:21:19 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/27/2024 12:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Brett Kulbis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE this measure.

There is no evidence gun buy back programs reduce gun violence. Criminals will not turn in their guns. This is another waste of tax payer money.