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LD 60

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Honorable Anne Beebe-Center, Senate Chair, Honorable Suzanne Salisbury, House Chair, and members of the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

RE: Testimony in opposition to LD 60, An Act to Require a 72-hour Waiting Period After the Sale of a Firearm.

An unintended consequence of this bill is to make the innocent a victim of violence by preventing them of their most basic right that of self-protection. Often, we read about a woman with a protective order who has attempted to purchase a firearm and who is killed or attacked during a mandatory waiting period. The likelihood of this bill saving any lives is vanishingly small. The likelihood of a truly vulnerable person being denied their constitutional right to protect themselves is a certainty. If this bill costs even one woman their life those who enacted, it are responsible. This bill should not pass.

Respectfully,

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