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LD 1120 - An Act to Promote the Secure Storage of Firearms

Good morning, distinguished members of the Committee on Judiciary. I wish to add my testimony to the record today. My name is Michael Parker. I am a resident of the Town of Strong. I am writing to voice my strong opposition to LD 1120 - An Act to Promote the Secure Storage of Firearms.

The 2nd Amendment to the Constitution states that the people shall have the right to KEEP and BEAR arms. So-called 'safe storage' laws present an obstruction to the use of this right in the sense of both terms. How firearms are stored in one's own home is not within the purview of government regulation. Responsible gun owners already provide for the secure storage of their firearms. Those who are not responsible are not going to heed these laws - which appear to be designed solely to place more restrictions and burdens on lawful gun owners while gaining just about nothing in return. There are too many situations where the illegal/negligent acts of others can be used to harm the legal gun owner who is exercising their rights, within their own home.

Thank you for your willingness to consider my position on this issue. I ask you to vote OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD 1120 - An Act to Promote the Secure Storage of Firearms.