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LD 1299

To the Members of the Judiciary:

LD 1299, a bill to ask gun owners to secure guns in their vehicles, is as important as the one requiring safe storage in the home.

Years ago I experienced driving on 295 and witnessing a passenger in the front seat of a car pointing a gun at passers by. Who knows what angered that passenger but clearly a gun in a moving vehicle could have spelled disaster. As far as I know it didn't - that day- but cars and driving them are dangerous enough activities without putting a gun into the mix.

I am also aware of the statistic of how many guns are stolen from vehicles each day. Obviously, locking them securely, out of sight would lesson that crime considerably.

I urge members of your committee to vote OUGHT TO PASS on LD1299.