To: The Members Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Subj: LD 976 "An Act To Amend the Definition of "Machine Gun" To Include Bump Stock Devices"

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