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Good public policies are based on facts and data and historical evidence, and effective laws are written when lawmakers understand the effects of such laws on a range of outcomes and can weigh the inherent trade-offs.

I OPPOSE LD 60, there is not a shred of evidence to support it having a general public safety benefit and you will be getting a class of people potentially hurt and killed for no possible benefit.

I'm guessing you have never been subjected to someone harassing and threatening you and your kids or know someone who has. If you have you would never propose such a waiting period or vote for this bill. But if you have not you need to understand that the one thing that works when you are being stalked and harassed is to arm yourself and learn the basics of personal self defense. Court orders, moving to a new location on a regular basis and even police security at work simply do NOT get the job done based on the brave women I have helped learn to shoot handguns effectively enough for personal self defense. The one common item in these situations was that the participant did not own a handgun initially. And NEEDED ONE RIGHT NOW. And a 72 hour waiting period would substantially increase their risks. This is a law that won't mean anything except if you actually need a gun to defend yourself and you don't have one.