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LD 208

To members of the Judiciary Committee-

Of all the bills I have submitted testimony for or against, LD 208 is at the top of my list in terms of importance.

As a gun safety proponent, I worked tirelessly alongside like minded folk to get a 72 hour Waiting Period passed last year. When it was repealed, I was amazed in the worst possible way. Finally, a common sense law on gun safety had made it into law and a group now wants to take it away.

This law is intended to cause people to pause, breathe, think before committing an impulse crime. My gosh-we wait for everything in our state and country; in line at the DMV, for our medical care, for an ordered part for a car, for a response from our government officials, a court date, etc. 72 hours - 3 days- should not be too long to wait for a firearm.

Thank you for reading and considering my plea to OPPOSE LD 208. Maintain the 72 hour waiting period between buying and taking possession of a firearm.