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My name is Richard Shapiro, and I am from Brunswick.

I oppose this bill to allow municipalities to ban firearms at polling places.

The bill stops the law abiding from carrying firearms to defend themselves, yet does nothing to stop a criminal, mad person, or terrorist from attacking such places.

Yet, on those occasions where a criminal, insane person or terrorist does choose to attack, it is almost always in a place where effective self defense is prohibited.

Furthermore, the presence of a weapon in the hands of a third party that ends the crime spree. And, sometimes, that weapon is one held by a law abiding civilian.

Really, if one breaks down the actual rationale behind the bill, it is really saying that one should give in to irrational fear, stoked for political purposes, of any firearm in civilian hands.

Please oppose this bill.
Thank you.