Richard Smith Beals

Dear Committee Members,

I am vehemently opposed to LD 805. If an individual seeks to cause harm at a polling place, they have already chosen to break a law about assault. If they choose to use a firearm to cause harm at a polling place, they've already chosen to break a law about discharging a firearm in public. If they intend to kill, they've chosen to break a law about murder. If 3 laws haven't stopped them, it's completely naive to think a 4th law will. LD 805 would force an individual who carries a firearm as part of their daily routine to make a special trip to vote or leave their firearm unsecured in the vehicle. This proposal is about using the fears of some to make it more difficult for others to vote, and that's not right. Put this proposal in the trash bin, where it belongs.