

## TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO HB2220

Dear House Federal and State Affairs Committee,

I strongly oppose HB2220 because firearms do not belong on college campuses. HB2220 prohibits universities from making regulations and policies about guns on their own campuses which is an egregious stripping of local control. You have heard from the stakeholders at these universities and you have heard overwhelming support for keeping guns off college campuses in the testimony for bills HB2074—a bill which still needs to be voted on and supported – and in the testimony for SB53. In the Ft. Hays State University Campus Employee Weapons Survey, 77% of respondents either wanted to repeal the law in order to prohibit guns on campus or extend the extension.<sup>1</sup> Each of our campuses have extenuating circumstances in which additional policies are necessary in order to promote the effective functioning of the university—policies that differ by campus and by community.

Please oppose HB2220 and allow college campuses to make their own policies.

Sincerely,

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