

Committee Report

REGULAR CALENDAR

February 10, 2021

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Majority of the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety to which was referred HB 195,

AN ACT adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Jennifer Rhodes

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

**MAJORITY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee:	Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Bill Number:	HB 195
Title:	adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct.
Date:	February 10, 2021
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 11-10.

Rep. Jennifer Rhodes
FOR THE MAJORITY

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Criminal Justice and Public Safety

HB 195, adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

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The Minority of the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety to which was referred HB 195,

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Rep. Casey Conley

FOR THE MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

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FOR THE MINORITY

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Voting Sheets



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Abbas, Daryl A. Chairman	11		
Welch, David A. Vice Chairman	1		
Burt, John A.	2		
Hopper, Gary S.	3		
Green, Dennis E.	4		
Wallace, Scott	5		
Testerman, Dave	6		
True, Chris	7		
Pratt, Kevin M.	8		
Marston, Dick	9		
Rhodes, Jennifer M. Clerk	10		
Harriott-Gathright, Linda C.		1	
Pantelakos, Laura C.		2	
O'Hearne, Andrew S.		3	
Bordenet, John		4	
Meuse, David		5	
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Bouldin, Amanda C.		7	
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Bradley, Amy		10	

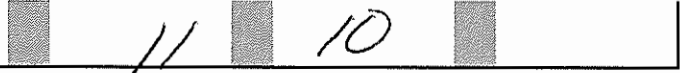


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Public Hearing

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 195

BILL TITLE: adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct.

DATE: February 10, 2021

LOB ROOM: 204

Time Public Hearing Called to Order:

Time Adjourned: 11:20 a.m.

Committee Members: Reps. Abbas, Welch, Rhodes, Burt, Hopper, Green, Wallace, Testerman, True, Pratt, Marston, Harriott-Gathright, Pantelakos, O'Hearne, Bordenet, Meuse, R. Newman, Amanda Bouldin, Conley, Klein-Knight and Bradley

Bill Sponsors:

Rep. Yakubovich

Rep. Roy

Rep. T. Lekas

Rep. Rhodes

Rep. Aron

Rep. DeSimone

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. Michael Yakubovich – Bill Sponsor

- Showing someone you are armed with hopefully allow them to see you are prepared?

Q: Rep. Hopper – Is there an instance or situation that prompted you to write bill?

A: Yes – situation in neighborhood

Q: Rep. Abbas – Can you define “display”?

A: To “intentionally” show – make visible – not to be careless

Q: Rep. Harriott-Gathright – In the example you gave, what was the display?

A: To protect his wife – show he was prepared

Q: Rep. Green – If a person displayed firearm in case of road rage, would this apply?

A: Yes.

Q: Rep. Pantelakos – This would not be reckless contact?

A: No, displaying is not reckless.

Q: Rep. Welch – Are you aware of statute saying you can display for certain person

A: Yes, attempt is to clarify

Q: Rep. Burt – If someone attempts to harm my family and I display my firearm, will this protect me?

A: Yes.

Q: Rep. Meuse – Would impact be in road rage?

A: In USA everyone should assure everyone is armed at all times.

Q: Senator Bradley – Can display gloss into reckless conduct?

A: Display has deliberate attempt – reckless is described as not caring about actions

Q: Rep. Klein-Knight – Are you saying displaying is not intimidating

A: That’s up to the aggressor

Q: Rep. Newman – Do you know reckless conduct is a felony

A: Yes.

Q: Do you believe the law was meant to make a firearm of a crim

A: No - explained

Q: Conley – Do you foresee instead of de-escalating it will escalate?

A: No – that bill is in a life threatening situation – i.e. kidnap, rape

Q: Would you argue the previous testimony would refer to this?

A: No – that is in a criminal act

Penny Dean – Support

- Bill meant to de-escalate

Q: Rep. Abbas – Will you provide the definition of display

A: To show – drawing attention – not de-criminalize criminal behavior

Q: Rep. Hopper – Do you know of an example when someone showed to stop a threat and was prosecuted?

A: Yes.

Q: Rep. Welch – Difference between display and brandishing is not removing to threaten.

A: Yes.

Q: Rep. Meuse – How is having a disagreement and someone puts firearm on table going to de-escalate?

A: That wouldn't be covered.

Q: Rep. Newman – Would you consider a woman taking a firearm out of her purse would not be intimidating

A: No, it isn't – displaying will warn away an attack

Tracy Hahn-Burkett – Oppose

- Gun violence prev –
- State definition is different than dictionary

Dr. Leonard Korm – Oppose

- Displaying can be interpreted many ways – too broad

Dena Romero – Oppose

- A firearm is a deadly weapon with deadly actions

Rep. Debra Athschiller – Oppose

- This will cause alarming behavior

Q: Sen. Bradley – Do you think someone showing gun is a method to control?

A: Yes.

Q: Rep. Klein-Knight – What would you say will be the result for domestic violence?

A: Get worse – Be in fear of everyone.

Q: Rep. Green – Would you believe some woman carrying loaded gun?

A: Don't care – it's a control factor.

Q: Rep. Abbas – Difference between brandishing and display?

A: Explained – read definition

Follow Up: Are you saying you are not able to display without threatening?

A: It is a point of control.

Q: Rep. Testerman – Would you say rather than displaying in a situation – it would be better to have it displayed at all times

A: No, should not adopt this bill.

Janika Wolft -Opposed

- Concerned of accidental death

Mike Thorton – Support

- Been in a situation where letting a person see his firearm saved another's life

Jay Simken – Support

- Display does not mean threat

Dr. Joe Hannon – Support

- Gun Owners of NH
- Explain difference in law between reckless conduct and displaying without threat

JR Hoell – Support – NH Firearm Coalition

- Displaying is not criminal

Q: Rep. Burt – If someone wants to abuse signation other – these is separate law

A: Yes, criminal threatening is illegal

Zandra Rice Hawkins – Oppose

- Will give free pass to anyone who wants to intimidate

Alan Rice – Support Gun Owners of America

- Clarified difference in testimony and intentions of the bill

Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Jennifer Rhodes

House Remote Testify

Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee Testify List for Bill HB195 on 2021-02-10

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Testimony

Archived: Monday, February 15, 2021 1:01:51 PM
From: Pam Hanson
Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 8:36:26 PM
To: ~House Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Subject: I oppose CACR8, HB 195 and HB 307
Importance: Normal

To the NH House Criminal Justice and PUBlic Safety Committee:

I oppose these bills because they decrease public safety. Gun owners have adequate rights in NH. We do not need to absolve them from all liability when they act in ways which endanger the public, especially by carrying guns into schools and universities. I encourage you to NOT recommend these bills to the House but to discard them.

thank you,
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To: ~House Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Subject: Testimony: Opposition to HB 195 "adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct"

Importance: Normal

February 10, 2021

Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee

Testimony for HB 195: *adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct*

Debra Altschiller, Stratham Rockingham 19

House Bill 195 seeks to add a new qualifier to Chapter 631:3. ([CHAPTER 631 ASSAULT AND RELATED OFFENSES \(state.nh.us\)](#)) As a refresher, that chapter begins like this: "A person is guilty of reckless conduct if he recklessly engages in conduct which places or **may place** another in danger of serious bodily injury." Then follows with this: "Reckless conduct is a class B felony if the person uses a deadly weapon as defined in RSA 625:11". ([Section 625:11 General Definitions. \(state.nh.us\)](#)) Dig into that and you'll find a deadly weapon defined as "any firearm, knife or other substance or thing which, in the manner it is used, **intended to be used, or threatened to be used**, is known to be **capable** of producing death or serious bodily injury".

If a person goes walking through the aisles of Market Basket carrying a baseball bat around, not hitting anything, not necessarily coming near anyone, not saying anything, maybe just striding through carrying it on their shoulder do you think that behavior will cause alarm? Of course, it will because a baseball bat is something unusual to carrying around the supermarket, it is not normal. It is alarming and it should be.

Let's say you go to a restaurant and the person at the table next to you pulls out their ten and ¾ inch Weyland survival knife with the serrated edge and the gut hook. They just put it on the table for everyone to see. Why on earth would they do that? Ostensibly the restaurant provides its own cutlery. That is an unusual item to bring into a restaurant. That is an alarming situation and it should be.

Those instances are examples of coercive control. They are actions taken that send a message to the people around them that the balance of power is in their favor because they have introduced an item that is unusual to its surroundings and circumstance and they have demonstrated a comfortableness with threatening. That is coercive control.

Neither one of these situations are normal behavior, we wouldn't accept it. Interestingly enough, no coalition of baseball enthusiasts plan events to normalize the use of bats in places other than baseball games. There are no campaigns by hunting knife companies to BYOK, trying to normalize bringing your own knife to restaurants. But every year, this legislature hears bills that seek to normalize the presence of a firearm everywhere. Bring your gun to pick up a pizza, bring your gun to your kid's ballet class, bring your gun to the library, bring your gun dinner, bring your gun to your house of worship, and bring your gun to work. All in an effort to normalize the presence of the most lethal means of coercive control in our communities.

Coercive control creates unequal power dynamics in a relationship. It is a form of violence. It is a key factor of domestic abuse and intimate partner violence. It is part of the pattern of behaviors perpetrators use to gain control and power. Coercive control is an act of intimidation, it is a silent threat. It breaks down boundaries and it threatens safety.

When someone has a firearm, they don't need to brandish it. It's presence is a threat alone. Ask any victim of domestic violence whose abuser never pointed a weapon at them but would take it out and leave it on the kitchen table as a warning. Ask the victim whose date ended in sexual assault why they froze when the weapon came out of the glove compartment "just for show". Ask the family members who lost a loved one to gun violence how normal it feels to be around people who to their knowledge have no permit, no training and for all anyone knows, no background check in acquiring that weapon because private sales don't require it in New Hampshire. I'll share with you that those are all people I have worked with and the presence of a gun has improved none of those situations.

Normalizing the presence of firearms in all parts of our lives is the goal of this kind of legislation, because it sells more firearms.

We should not endeavor to normalize the abusive act of coercive control. We have an obligation to the citizens of New Hampshire to create safe communities free from abuse. Article 2 of the New Hampshire Constitution ensures all persons have the right to keep and bear arms in defense of themselves, their families, their property and the state. Often glossed over though is Article 1 that states our government is founded in consent and for the general good. Living under the threat of coercive control in no way contributes to the common good.

I respectfully ask you to please vote inexpedient to legislate (ITL) on House Bill 195.

Debra Altschiller

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To: [~House Criminal Justice and Public Safety](#)

Subject: Relative to HB's 195,307 & 334

Importance: Normal

Dear Committee members, please join me in support of these 3 bills. Vote yes to protect our rights.

Thank you.

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Subject: Testimony: Opposition to HB 195 "adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct"

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February 10, 2021

Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee

Testimony for HB 195: *adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct*

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House Bill 195 seeks to add a new qualifier to Chapter 631:3. ([CHAPTER 631 ASSAULT AND RELATED OFFENSES \(state.nh.us\)](#)) As a refresher, that chapter begins like this: "A person is guilty of reckless conduct if he recklessly engages in conduct which places or **may place** another in danger of serious bodily injury." Then follows with this: "Reckless conduct is a class B felony if the person uses a deadly weapon as defined in RSA 625:11". ([Section 625:11 General Definitions. \(state.nh.us\)](#)) Dig into that and you'll find a deadly weapon defined as "any firearm, knife or other substance or thing which, in the manner it is used, **intended to be used, or threatened to be used**, is known to be **capable** of producing death or serious bodily injury".

If a person goes walking through the aisles of Market Basket carrying a baseball bat around, not hitting anything, not necessarily coming near anyone, not saying anything, maybe just striding through carrying it on their shoulder do you think that behavior will cause alarm? Of course, it will because a baseball bat is something unusual to carrying around the supermarket, it is not normal. It is alarming and it should be.

Let's say you go to a restaurant and the person at the table next to you pulls out their ten and ¾ inch Weyland survival knife with the serrated edge and the gut hook. They just put it on the table for everyone to see. Why on earth would they do that? Ostensibly the restaurant provides its own cutlery. That is an unusual item to bring into a restaurant. That is an alarming situation and it should be.

Those instances are examples of coercive control. They are actions taken that send a message to the people around them that the balance of power is in their favor because they have introduced an item that is unusual to its surroundings and circumstance and they have demonstrated a comfortableness with threatening. That is coercive control.

Neither one of these situations are normal behavior, we wouldn't accept it. Interestingly enough, no coalition of baseball enthusiasts plan events to normalize the use of bats in places other than baseball games. There are no campaigns by hunting knife companies to BYOK, trying to normalize bringing your own knife to restaurants. But every year, this legislature hears bills that seek to normalize the presence of a firearm everywhere. Bring your gun to pick up a pizza, bring your gun to your kid's ballet class, bring your gun to the library, bring your gun dinner, bring your gun to your house of worship, and bring your gun to work. All in an effort to normalize the presence of the most lethal means of coercive control in our communities.

Coercive control creates unequal power dynamics in a relationship. It is a form of violence. It is a key factor of domestic abuse and intimate partner violence. It is part of the pattern of behaviors perpetrators use to gain control and power. Coercive control is an act of intimidation, it is a silent threat. It breaks down boundaries and it threatens safety.

When someone has a firearm, they don't need to brandish it. It's presence is a threat alone. Ask any victim of domestic violence whose abuser never pointed a weapon at them but would take it out and leave it on the kitchen table as a warning. Ask the victim whose date ended in sexual assault why they froze when the weapon came out of the glove compartment "just for show". Ask the family members who lost a loved one to gun violence how normal it feels to be around people who to their knowledge have no permit, no training and for all anyone knows, no background check in acquiring that weapon because private sales don't require it in New Hampshire. I'll share with you that those are all people I have worked with and the presence of a gun has improved none of those situations.

Normalizing the presence of firearms in all parts of our lives is the goal of this kind of legislation, because it sells more firearms.

We should not endeavor to normalize the abusive act of coercive control. We have an obligation to the citizens of New Hampshire to create safe communities free from abuse. Article 2 of the New Hampshire Constitution ensures all persons have the right to keep and bear arms in defense of themselves, their families, their property and the state. Often glossed over though is Article 1 that states our government is founded in consent and for the general good. Living under the threat of coercive control in no way contributes to the common good.

I respectfully ask you to please vote inexpedient to legislate (ITL) on House Bill 195.

Debra Altschiller

State Representative

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Attachments:

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Dear Committee Members,

I have attached my written testimony opposing HB195.

Best regards,

Deidre Reynolds

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From: [Dena Romero](#)
Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 10:42:06 PM
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February 9, 2021

To the Honorable Members of the NH House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee:

I respectfully ask you to vote NO on House Bill 195.

My reasons for opposing this bill are:

1. A firearm is a deadly weapon which can have deadly consequences. The point of a firearm is to kill or seriously wound another person.
2. Brandishing a firearm is not a neutral act. It makes an aggressive and threatening statement which could escalate a situation and result in violence.
3. Please note: for the safety of his family and of NH citizens, Governor Sununu cancelled his 2021 outdoor inauguration ceremony as a precaution against armed protestors. He did so after protestors appeared at his home carrying weapons. In other words, the Governor not appreciate people outside his home brandishing weapons and felt threatened by this behavior.

Please vote inexpedient to legislate.

Thank you for your time.

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From: [Erin Jasina](#)
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Subject: HB 195
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Dear Committee Members,

My name is Erin Jasina, and I direct the Domestic Violence Advocacy Project (DVAP) at New Hampshire Legal Assistance. For more than twenty years, the DVAP has represented victims and survivors in their protective order cases as well as in their high-lethality divorce and parenting cases. I am writing today in opposition of HB 195.

Domestic violence, as many of you know, takes on many forms. It can appear as black and purple bruises, or it can be a more silent killer and take shape through intimidation and veiled threats. Words and actions that seem harmless to anyone else hearing them, might signal death for a victim. Imagine if you got a phone call at work from your spouse saying "You better pick up eggs on your way home." What would you think? You would think you are out of eggs. For a victim that may be a signal or a trigger. That may be code for, "You better come home now or I'm going to break your nose." The same signal or trigger may exist for an abuser "displaying" a firearm to his victim. What seems harmless to you on the surface, is in fact a means to exert control over a victim and instill fear. Sitting down at the kitchen table every night and methodically taking apart and cleaning your gun while making your victim watch is placing that person in danger of serious bodily injury. Because if she does not do what he says, he will make good on his threat and use that gun against her. Leaving or displaying that same gun on the bedside table every night is a clear message to that victim that "you aren't going anywhere, so don't even try."

Do not need give abusers an exception to get away with violence. I am asking that you vote inexpedient to legislate on HB 195. Thank you for your time, and please let me know if I can answer any questions.

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Honorable Members of The Committee,

I encourage you to support HB 195.

Given recent events; wherein, BLM/Antifa domestic terrorists have set up lawless road blocks to threaten citizens and their families with great bodily injury or death for the "crime" of attempting to go shopping or to their jobs, those good citizens, so accosted, should not have to be further threatened by BLM/Antifa-sympathetic prosecutors for displaying their defensive firearm in an attempt to safely remain uninjured or killed by BLM/Antifa domestic terrorists.

Regards,

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Reference HB195:

The Honorable Daryl Abbas, Chair
House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee

Dear Representative Abbas, and Members of the Committee,

While no one ever wants to have to draw their weapon and even more so kill another person, average citizens defend themselves, and others, on a daily basis. Studies have shown that the mere presence of a firearm, without a shot ever being fired, saves over a million lives annually.

HB195 would provide an affirmative defense against aggressive prosecutorial actions where a potential defendant was acting with reasonable expectation that physical harm to him or her or to another was imminent due to threatening actions exhibited by a third party. This bill would not protect an individual from prosecution for reckless conduct if a firearm was used in a manner such as brandishing, where no threat previously existed. I disagree with the opponents of this bill who say it would turn New Hampshire into the "wild West." It simply protects law abiding citizens who by perceiving a possible threat, bring a firearm into view in order to deescalate a situation or to make someone with nefarious intent change their mind.

I ask that Members of the Committee vote HB195 Ought to Pass.

Respectfully,
Lawrence Melanson
Webster, NH

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From: Penny Dean

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Attachments:

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Dear Committee Members:

The term sometimes used for display of a firearm or other self-defense tool to warn away a criminal is defensive gun use "DGU". Those who report statistics on Defensive gun use do not always separate the display of a firearm from the pointing of a firearm. However, that said I have attached two articles of a case that happened in New Hampshire as well as some lines pertaining to defensive gun use sometimes includes the pointing (which is different than display). Gary Kleck, a Florida State Criminologist is probably the best known for his research in this area.

[Unpublished CDC Study Confirms More than 2 Million Defensive Handgun Uses Annually \(lawenforcementtoday.com\)](#)

[Researcher Reaffirms: At Least 760,000 Defensive Gun Uses a Year \(breitbart.com\)](#)

Respectfully submitted, Penny Dean 603-230-999

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HOUSE BILL **195**

AN ACT adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct.

SPONSORS: Rep. Yakubovich, Merr. 24; Rep. Roy, Rock. 32; Rep. T. Lekas, Hills. 37; Rep. Rhodes, Ches. 15; Rep. Aron, Sull. 7; Rep. DeSimone, Rock. 14

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

ANALYSIS

This bill inserts an exception to the crime of reckless conduct for the display of a firearm.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT adding display of a firearm as an exception to reckless conduct.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Paragraph; Reckless Conduct; Exception for Display of a Firearm. Amend RSA 631:3 by
2 inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

3 V. Displaying a firearm shall not constitute reckless conduct under this section.

4 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.