

Committee Report

REGULAR CALENDAR

February 17, 2021

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Majority of the Committee on Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs to which was referred HB 246,

AN ACT establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults. Having considered the same, report the same with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Bill King

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

MAJORITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Bill Number:	HB 246
Title:	establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.
Date:	February 17, 2021
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill is similar to several other bills that have been considered and rejected over the past several years. This bill would create a civil process to address potential elder or vulnerable adult abuse. Many concerns were raised about financial abuse of adults and “that the money was gone” before someone could act. Stealing someone’s retirement funds is already a crime under the criminal statutes as is physical abuse and neglect. The committee heard from numerous citizens expressing concerns about due process violations and use of civil processes when there is evidence that criminal activity had occurred. Specific issues were raised about the phrase, “...the court shall not be bound by the technical rules of evidence...” which would allow for ‘evidence’ that might be hearsay or double and even triple hearsay. The language in the proposed statute would allow the confiscation of personal property, including animals. The language would also kick in federal law that would allow for confiscation of firearms from the accused without a trial where the accused was found guilty. This bill also included an indefinite look back in time whereby an incident that had occurred decades ago could be used as evidence of abuse. This is a significant departure from traditional, American, jurisprudence. As a society, we have been careful to ensure that the accused is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. The committee heard significant concerns that this civil process would do away with those protections. Numerous suggestions were made to correct the flaws brought up in the public hearing but nothing was agreed to during the executive session. Members considered retaining the bill to work on it, however the committee decided that this bill was unworkable.

Vote 14-7.

Rep. Bill King
FOR THE MAJORITY

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Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

HB 246, establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

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The Minority of the Committee on Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs to which was referred HB 246,

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Rep. Lucy Weber

FOR THE MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

MINORITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Bill Number:	HB 246
Title:	establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.
Date:	February 17, 2021
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill provides protections for vulnerable adults. This refers to persons who are mentally, physically or emotionally unable to manage their personal, home or financial affairs in their own best interest, and who may be suffering abuse, neglect or exploitation, whether physically, emotionally, or financially, at the hands of another. This bill is needed because existing statutes do not provide the prompt relief from the kinds of abuse, neglect or exploitation that seniors and persons with disabilities or with mental illness suffer all too often, sometimes at the hands of caregivers or their own families. Existing criminal statutes can punish those who abuse or exploit the vulnerable adult, but criminal prosecution takes a long time, and the abuser is often out on the street continuing to drain finances or perpetrating physical or emotional abuse of the victim for significant periods of time before a case comes to trial. By the time of trial, the financial resources of the victim may have been drained, leaving them destitute and a charge of the state, or leaving them battered, either physically or emotionally. In some cases, existing relief from abuse orders may be used, but they cover only family or household members or domestic partners. Often the abuser is a caregiver or unrelated party who has wrongfully gained access to the victim's home, finances or other assets, and existing domestic relations orders offer no help. A guardianship may eventually provide the victim with appropriate supervision of financial or personal matters, but again, the process is lengthy and, in practice, the process usually does not start until after the victim's assets are gone or significant abuse has occurred. This bill offers a quick, effective process for the victim, aided by a support person if they choose, to file for a protective order in the circuit court. An expedited hearing schedule protects the substantive rights and due process rights of both the vulnerable adult and the alleged abuser without creating a whole new state bureaucracy. The resulting order may restrain the abuser from continued abuse, exploitation or neglect, keep the abuser away from the victim and the victim's home and property, and require the return of personal property wrongfully taken from the victim, providing desperately needed immediate protection for the victim.

Rep. Lucy Weber

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FOR THE MINORITY

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Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

EXECUTIVE SESSION on Bill # HB 246

BILL TITLE: An Act establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.

DATE: 2/16/2021

LOB ROOM: 306-8/Remote

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of
Amendment # _____
 Interim Study (2nd year) *(if offered)*

Moved by Rep. King Seconded by Rep. Gay **Vote: 15-6 passes**

MOTION: To reconsider the ITL vote.

Moved by Rep. Merchant Seconded by Rep. Salloway **Vote: 18-3 passes**

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of
Amendment # _____
 Interim Study (2nd year) *(if offered)*

Moved by Rep. King Seconded by Rep. Gay **Vote: 14-7 passes**

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES X NO

Minority Report? X Yes No If yes, author, Rep: Weber Motion **OTP**

Respectfully submitted: _____
Rep. Beth Folsom, Clerk

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2021 SESSION

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Bill #: HB246 Motion: Reconsideration AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2/16/2021

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Pearson, Mark A. Chairman	18		
Marsh, William M. Vice Chairman	1		
McMahon, Charles E.	2		
Nelson, Bill G.		1	
Acton, Dennis F.	3		
Gay, Betty I.	4		
Cushman, Leah P.		2	
Folsom, Beth A. Clerk	5		
Kelsey, Niki	6		
King, Bill C.	7		
Kofalt, Jim		3	
Weber, Lucy M.	8		
MacKay, James R.	9		
Snow, Kendall A.	10		
Knirk, Jerry L.	11		
Salloway, Jeffrey C.	12		
Cannon, Gerri D.	13		
Nutter-Upham, Frances E.	14		
Schapiro, Joe	15		
Woods, Gary L.	16		

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Merchant, Gary		17		
TOTAL VOTE:		18	3	0

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Pearson, Mark A. Chairman	14		
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Pearson, Mark A. Chairman	15		
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TOTAL VOTE:		15	6	0

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

PUBLIC HEARING on Bill # HB 246 RESUMED

BILL TITLE: An Act establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.

DATE: 2/8/2021

ROOM: 306-8

Time Public Hearing Called to Order: 1:22 pm

Time Adjourned: 2:46 pm

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: In 306-8 Reps. M. Pearson, Folsom, Gay, Cushman, B. King,
Remote: Marsh, McMahan, Nelson, Acton, Kelsey, Kofalt, Weber, MacKay, Snow, Knirk,
Salloway, Cannon, Nutter-Upham, Schapiro, Woods and Merchant

TESTIMONY

Doug McNutt - support

Feels that people are focusing on past editions of this bill and not on the updated language in this bill.

Arnold Newman - support

Shared a personal story of an elderly person who was abused several ways by his son and lost everything.

Michael Thornton - opposed

The accused are deprived of all their rights.

Not protected from false accusations which can often come from the diminished adult who they are caring for.

Paul Marquis - opposed

Falsely accused need protections.

RSA's already cover what is in the bill.

Jane Gaff Net - ITL

Goes against RSA's listed which covers all protections in place.

Penny Dean Atty - ITL

Has reviewed the current version of bill.

Sections are contrary to federal law.

Listed a large number of legal issues which I could not write fast enough to cover.

Joseph Ebert - ITL

No statute of limitations

Buzz Scherr - UNH Law School - support

Not a red-flag law, no due process problems

JR. Hoell - Nat'l Firearms Coalition - ITL

Rep Norm Silber - himself, oppose

Joe Hannon - Former state representative, Gun Owners of America, oppose

John Schmitt - oppose

Could confiscate just about anything.

Jay Simpkin -

Accused has an uphill battle - personal story, Thousands of dollars in legal fees just to defend himself, the state had to reimburse lawyers and experts.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Beth Folsom, Clerk

House Remote Testify

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee Testify List for Bill HB246 on 2021-01-26

Support: 29 Oppose: 75 Neutral: 4 Total to Testify: 21

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
Burt, Rep John	John.Burt@leg.state.nh.us	603.624.5084	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 11:33 AM
Rice, Alan	alanrice@gunowners.org	603.471.2721	A Lobbyist	Gun Owners of America	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 11:54 AM
Lehtinen, Erik	TouchFreedom@ProtonMail.com	518.858.4072	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 5:11 PM
Simkin, Jay	jaysimkin@juno.com	603.883.2612	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 4:48 PM
Donnelly, Ryan	rdonnelly@gsil.org	603.520.3271	A Lobbyist	Granite State Independent Living	Support	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 6:59 PM
Penkacik, Aaron	apenkacik@gmail.com	603.566.1550	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 9:27 PM
Newman, Arnold	mallard202@gmail.com	8765084	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	Yes (0m)	1/23/2021 2:09 PM
Weber, Lucy	lwmcv@comcast.net	603.499.0282	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 10:58 AM
Silber, Norm	njs@silbersnh.com	603.293.0565	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/25/2021 11:31 PM
WOODWARD, John	jc@Clockery.com	603.313.7676	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 2:45 AM
McNutt, Doug	dmcnutt@aarp.org	603.858.4640	A Lobbyist	AARP	Support	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 9:48 AM
Smith, William	BizbrokerBill@gmail.com	603.580.5510	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 8:49 AM
Gaffney, James	justpaddle1@hotmail.com	603.848.2276	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 10:21 AM
Steinberg, Cheryl	csteinberg@nhla.org	603.892.6415	A Lobbyist	NH Legal Assistance and NH Alliance for Healthy Aging	Support	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 11:00 AM
Mangipudi, Latha	Latha.mangipudi@leg.state.nh.us	603.891.1239	An Elected Official	Hills 35	Support	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 10:54 AM
Thornton, Michael	mikelt091350@gmail.com	603.249.6666	A Member of the Public	New Hampshire Firearms Coalition	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 10:57 AM
Cushing, Renny	reprennycushing@gmail.com	617.930.5196	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 1:09 PM
Dean, Penny	penny@pennydean.com	603.230.9999	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 1:35 PM
Schmitt, John	jschmitt88@yahoo.com	603.355.3725	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 1:53 PM
Hoell, JR	jr@jrhoell.com	603.315.9002	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 1:56 PM
Wright, Richard	dickiesoutdoors@hotmail.com	603.938.2414	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	1/26/2021 2:04 PM
Valvanis, John	jval@startmail.com	603.401.3388	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 2:08 PM
Bruno, Rich	bruno4016@comcast.net	603.497.4016	A Member of the Public	Myself	Neutral	No	1/26/2021 2:32 PM
Altschiller, Debra	debra.altschiller@leg.state.nh.us	603.686.1234	An Elected Official	Stratham, Rockingham 19	Support	No	1/26/2021 2:54 PM
Bishevsky-Weeks, Susan	katahdinlily@yahoo.com	207.951.1307	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/27/2021 8:27 AM

Garber, Marcia	mag1022rn@comcast.net	603.218.3611	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/23/2021 1:37 PM
Roy, Terry	Terry.roy@leg.state.nh.us	978.235.2400	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/24/2021 1:12 PM
Carlson, Bob	silicapond@outlook.com	603.679.8725	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 1:43 PM
Blake, Karen	Kblake4213@gmail.com	603.348.8830	A Member of the Public	Myself	Neutral	No	1/26/2021 1:43 PM
Lerner, Lori	llerner01@comcast.net	781.389.1561	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 1:47 PM
Catherine, Arnault	peri82@comcast.net	603.918.7704	A Member of the Public	AARP	Support	No	1/26/2021 1:49 PM
McAuliffe, John	budoman54@gmail.com	603.776.3306	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 1:50 PM
Larson, Robert	rslarson1975@protonmail.com	603.631.4006	A Member of the Public	Robert Larson	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 1:29 PM
Sylvia, Mike	mike.sylvia@leg.state.nh.us	603.707.8594	An Elected Official	Belknap 6	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 1:31 PM
Lozito, Marie	vmarielozito@gmail.com	5425306	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 10:58 AM
Fordey, Nicole	nikkif610@gmail.com	516.318.2296	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/21/2021 2:39 PM
Murphy, Nancy	murphy.nancya@gmail.com	603.424.0254	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 11:27 AM
Durkee, Greg	gdurkeei@gmail.com	603.543.7605	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 12:23 PM
Monroe, Sharon	monroenh@aol.com	603.228.6311	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 12:31 PM
Acevedo, Arllen	nawk@use.startmail.com	603.860.6393	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 12:34 PM
Perrotta, Delores	dperrotta15@comcast.net	603.244.9629	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 12:51 PM
Bourbeau, Joanne	jbourbeau@humanesociety.org	301.529.3378	A Lobbyist	The Humane Society of the United States' New Hampshire office	Support	No	1/26/2021 1:00 PM
Bernardy, J D	jd.bernardy@leg.state.nh.us	603.969.5796	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 1:00 PM
Lozito, Patrick	patlozito@gmail.com	603.542.5306	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 10:45 AM
Desrosiers, Roger	rdesros@comcast	603.225.7395	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 10:46 AM
Poire, Christine	myblueskye77@gmail.com	603.581.6338	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 10:47 AM
Rielly, Scott	srielly@aol.com	603.635.9676	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 10:47 AM
Bean, Harry	harry.bean1954@gmail.com	603.455.2993	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 8:55 AM
Levesque, Cassandra	cassandra.levesque@leg.state.nh.us	603.833.8687	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 9:09 AM
Meuse, David	David.Meuse@leg.state.nh.us	603.957.8436	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 9:10 AM
fowler, stephen	smjf317@gmail.com	603.883.3133	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 9:40 AM
McLaughlin, Jamie	jamie116@comcast.net	603.858.0757	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 9:44 AM
Prasol, Tom	thomas.prasol@demers-prasol.com	603.228.1498	A Lobbyist	Alzheimer's Association	Support	No	1/26/2021 9:57 AM
Holland, Raymond	redlegray@charter.net	603.728.8146	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 9:57 AM
Frateschi, Steve	stevefrateschi@gmail.com	315.491.5619	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 9:58 AM
Richardson, Daniel	daniel6_22@comcast.net	603.594.9303	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 9:59 AM
gray, thomas	meowman2@comcast.net	603.860.2678	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 10:02 AM
Smuda, Gail	gsmuda@mac.com	603.228.1276	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 10:04 AM
Graham, John	jscottgraham@msn.com	603.991.9954	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 10:06 AM
Hoey, Kathleen	kmhoey@comcast.net	603.627.9804	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 10:15 AM
Kaluzynski, Kathie	kathiekal@gmail.com	603.540.0616	A Member of the Public	AARP	Support	No	1/26/2021 10:17 AM
wyman, glen	wymans@myfairpoint.net	603.786.9250	A Member of the Public	myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 6:51 AM

Segal, Len	m-p_l@comcast.net	617.304.5020	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 11:56 AM
Chase, Wendy	Wendy.Chase@leg.state.NH.us	603.319.7259	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 7:37 AM
Routhier, Jonathan	jrouthier@csni.org	603.229.1982	A Lobbyist	Community Support Network	Support	No	1/26/2021 7:39 AM
Hall, Charles	graywolf7401@comcast.net	603.930.5005	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 8:08 AM
Campion, Polly	pkc441@outlook.com	603.643.2837	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/26/2021 8:20 AM
Jansky, Terri	tl.jansky@yahoo.com	603.273.2942	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 8:22 AM
Peavey, Leah	leahpeavey27@gmail.com	603.277.1394	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 8:22 AM
Peavey, Michael	mtnlover30@gmail.com	603.277.0320	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 8:28 AM
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Guthrie, Joe	lojogut@gmail.com	603.489.1228	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/26/2021 12:10 PM
Kelley, Diane	diane.kelley@leg.state.nh.gov	603.484.1377	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 11:39 PM
Osterhoudt, Douglas	douglas.j.osterhoudt@dhhs.nh.gov	603.271.9647	State Agency Staff	DHHS	Neutral	No	1/25/2021 11:13 AM
Ebert, Joseph	joseph.ebert@dos.nh.gov	603.419.8242	State Agency Staff	the State Police	Neutral	No	1/25/2021 10:14 PM
Johnson, Dawn	Dawn.Johnson@leg.state.nh.us	603.305.8466	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 10:54 PM
Johnson, Andrew	ajdawn@metrocast.net	603.305.8465	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 10:58 PM
Binford, David	david.binford@leg	972.351.3389	An Elected Official	Myself and my Constituents	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 11:05 PM
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Rathbun, Eric	ericrathbun@gmail.com	860.912.3751	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	1/25/2021 7:08 PM
Betts Olszewski, Jennifer	beesweetacres@outlook.com	603.548.1532	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 9:04 PM
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Decoteau, Mike	Acfarmernh@gmail.com	774.437.3950	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 5:46 PM
Noel, Kenneth	kennethnoel3@gmail.com	603.289.1388	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 5:47 PM
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Sanborn, Mark	snbrn1953@yahoo.com	603.289.3901	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 6:12 PM
Sanborn, Lynda	lyndavoli@yahoo.com	603.289.3903	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 6:17 PM
Smith, Jonathan	jhsmithnh@gmail.com	603.651.1137	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 6:18 PM
Sausser, Thomas	tsausser1@icloud.com	603.785.9680	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	1/25/2021 6:49 PM
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Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee Testify List for Bill HB246 on 2021-02-08

Support: 89 Oppose: 67 Neutral: 2 Total to Testify: 13

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
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Thornton, Michael	mikelt091350@gmail.com	603.249.6666	A Member of the Public	Myself & New Hampshire Firearms Coalition	Oppose	Yes (4m)	1/31/2021 8:55 AM
Marquis, Paul	Paulmarquis@mac.com	603.566.1745	A Member of the Public	Myself and New Hampshire Firearms Coalition.	Oppose	Yes (4m)	2/8/2021 6:11 AM
Michael, Thornton	mikelt091350@gmail.com	603.249.6666	A Member of the Public	Myself& New Hampshire Firearms Coalition	Oppose	Yes (3m)	2/8/2021 12:15 PM
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McNutt, Doug	dmcnutt@aarp.org	603.858.4640	A Lobbyist	AARP	Support	Yes (0m)	2/8/2021 8:30 AM
Silber, Rep Norm	njs@silbersnh.com	603.293.0565	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	Yes (0m)	2/2/2021 11:45 PM
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Hannon, Joe	joehannon4nh@gmail.com	603.418.5531	A Member of the Public	GO-NH	Oppose	Yes (0m)	2/8/2021 9:36 AM
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Schmidt, Jan	tesha4@gmail.com	603.880.6060	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	2/8/2021 4:09 PM
Harrington, Rep Mike	harringt@metrocast.net	603.942.8691	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	2/8/2021 4:21 PM
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Brennan, Nancy	burningnan14@gmail.com	5291969	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	2/7/2021 7:27 PM
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Testimony

Archived: Tuesday, April 6, 2021 9:04:26 AM
From: [Patti Infante](#)
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2021 10:36:48 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I strongly oppose HB246 . It is a violation of my 2nd amendment right!!!
Patricia Infante

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Steve Dane](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 6:47:42 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I totally oppose this bill (HB 246) as it is written.

Steve Dane

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:36 PM
From: [Alan Mikoloski](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:55:50 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Stop HB 246! Any person with a grudge or who just doesn't like guns can make an anonymous report on a gun owner and most judges being liberal will issue an order for all your guns to be confiscated. You are considered guilty and must prove your innocence at great expense rather than the state having to prove that you are guilty.. and there is no trial! You cant defend yourself and your family or even hunt to feed your family Unconstitutional!

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [James Andrews](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:19:59 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Stop this nonsense dead in its tracks!

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [grant copatch](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:14:53 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am sending this email on behalf of all law abiding citizens

This bill violates our Constitutional rights

2ND Amendment

Right to do process

Right to a fair trial

This bill will also violate our first amendment(someone will have there 2nd amendment taken from them because a harmless joke was taken the wrong way)

this bill is unconstitutional and shal not be passed

Grant Copatch

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM
From: Jennifer Betts Olszewski
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:53:48 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern,

I am a NH citizen in Durham, NH. I am an advocate of Liberty. I support all our freedoms and natural rights. The government was designed to protect these natural rights, among them are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Along with our first amendment rights to freedom of speech, press, assembly, religion, and redress of our grievances, the second amendment right to bear arms to protect our lives, the lives of our loved ones, and our property, is paramount to preserving all of our Constitutionally protected, natural human rights.

From studying, I have learned that the gross majority of homicides are due to bludgeoning with a hammer or other such instrument, which shocked me. I also learned that the majority of gun owners are more responsible and upright citizens than other folks.

This bill is dangerous to the lives of responsible gun owners and the police. It will do a remarkable amount of harm and no good. Limiting the freedom of responsible citizens is not the answer to controlling crime nor stopping criminals.

Are you aware that this bill would infringe many of our privacy laws, property protection laws, personal protection laws, and many other rights in our constitutions? It would harm law abiding citizens!!!

NO NOTICE UNTIL POLICE SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR, PRE-DAWN, WITH GUNS DRAWN – a dangerous situation for everyone involved; YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO CONFISCATION; YOU ARE ASSUMED TO BE DANGEROUS UNTIL YOU PROVE YOU'RE NOT; CONFISCATION IS BASED ON SOMEONE'S WORD-NO PROOF NECESSARY; YOUR ACCUSER IS KEPT SECRET, ALLOWING THEM TO HARASS YOU WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE; YOU LOSE EVEN IF YOU WIN-You WILL spend thousands in legal fees and it could even impact your reputation and employment; YOUR GUNS WILL LIKELY BE DAMAGED OR EVEN POSSIBLY DESTROYED; THERE'S NO PROTECTION FROM REPEATED RED FLAG CONFISCATIONS.

Please do your own research and oppose this harmful, dangerous bill.

Thank you,

Jennifer Betts Olszewski

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM
From: [CHRISTINA COLLETTE](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:51:19 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I oppose this.

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Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please stop HB246. Do not vote for a Bill that violates so many of my Rights. My 2nd Amendments Rights should never be taken away. My rights to Due Process and the ability to confront my accusers should never be remove or altered in any case. This Bill will allow anyone to falsely accuse someone of a crime that they never committed resulting in loss of such Rights. Please stop the Bill now.

Glen Copatch

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM
From: [John McAuliffe](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:16:56 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

You folks need to realize something, ESPECIALLY being in politics.
These red flag laws are a way to confiscate legal gun owners firearms WITHOUT A TRIAL, WITHOUT A CRIMINAL CHARGE BEING MADE. Without the ability or right to know your Accuser! This is not who we are !
Bring back the death PENALTY in this state and use it for anyone that commits any crime while using a firearm of any kind in this state !
You , if your an AMERICAN and took the oath of office to defend this nation from its enemies, both both foreign and Domestic, and to uphold the Constitution of the United states .
Be very careful on how you handle this hot potato .
Use so common sense, introduce legislation that does just what I said. 1 trial, No appeals.
Be the first State in this country to pass some common sense gun control and leave the rest of us alone !
We are NOT the problem !

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM
From: [ADAM BLUMENTHAL](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:08:37 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please vote this down. Any law that presumes guilt without due process is abhorrent and unconstitutional. I urge you to put this issue to rest.

Adam Blumenthal
Deering NH
Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM

From: [WL](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:52:54 PM

To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Please stop hb246 from infringing upon Granite Staters rights. NH doesn't require this legislation. We are a safe and responsible state.

- sincerely William Lynch

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM
From: [Weston Vollheim](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:18:16 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee,

I send this email quickly as I have just been made aware of the hearing on this issue scheduled for tomorrow.

In short, this Bill denies due process to the accused. I am a Police Officer (I do not represent my Police Department and am writing this email as an individual citizen) and have spent over 15 years serving various communities investigating and responding to various crimes. Every person has the right to be innocent until proven guilty. This Bill denies the accused person that right. This Bill violates the 4th Amendment protecting them from unreasonable searches and seizures. This Bill denies the accused the ability and right to face the accuser. This is one of the foundations of our Criminal Justice system. It should not be tossed aside in any case. If this Bill is put into law, then it creates a slippery slope where a suspect no longer has the ability to face the accuser and argue the facts of the case. Could you imagine, civil law suits being decided without hearing from both sides? Could you imagine, an alleged suspect of assault, burglary, criminal mischief, etc being found guilty without even having the opportunity to defend themselves in a court of law? This Bill sets the stage for just that.

I asked that you vote against this Bill as it violates the rights of NH citizens, ignores the Bill of Rights and undermines the entire legal system in place.

Thank you for your time

Weston Vollheim

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:52 PM
From: [Rob_Comcast](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:15:26 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I've written in opposition to this before, and I am, once again, writing to let you know that I am opposed to this bill, as written.

In no way shape or form should anyone have their personal personal property taken from them without complete and fully vetted due process. The fact that, by a simple accusation, with no tangible evidence (kind of akin to our past president's unsupported claim of rampant election fraud) ones property can be taken from them is reprehensible.

The need for a person to have to retain an attorney or even seek the services of a court appointed attorney in order for them to keep, or have their lawfully purchased property returned is beyond acceptable.

This bill must be defeated.

Bob Katchen
91 Chad Road
Manchester, NH 03104
603-621-0521
Independent LegalShield Representative
Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:37 PM
From: [John Logan](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:12:32 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

No to HB 246

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [Gary Richard](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:04:36 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Vote no on HB246

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [Rick Castellano](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:58:07 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee

I am a Senior Citizen I will not comply with any ruling that I am guilty without due process. My due process, your innocence until proven guilty, your second right, and your right to confront your accuser.

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [GEORGE KORMANOS](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:56:06 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

With all due respect,

Why is this bill being brought up again? We do not want this nor any unconstitutional bill. We will not support it or anyone who votes for this. Please vote this bill down now and each time it is resubmitted. It is not required and not constitutional.

Thank you for your attention

George Kormanos

Nashua

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: rons21@aol.com
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:55:39 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

please put this confiscation bill in the trash . i am sick of people trying to take the second amendment right away from law abiding citizens .

thank you Ronald Stevens
603 875 3648

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From: Jack Poirier

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:44:21 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs; standbyone7@aol.com;
standbyone7@aol.com

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

I am totally opposed to this bill without any due process...
You people are no longer upholding nor defending our
constitution nor representing the people of this great state.
Live Free or Die or would you rather bad guys kill us off
one by one without a chance to defend ourselves... Think
about if it were you or your family getting attacked or hurt...
Who you gonna call, your fellow democrats...??? Good luck
with that!!!

R\$respectfully...

John P. (Jack Poirier)

Albany, NH...

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [Frank Murzyn](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:30:47 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Good Evening,
Without wasting your time.
Please note that I am completely against this bill.
Thank you,
Francis Murzyn
Merrimack, NH
Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [Donald LeBrun](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:29:01 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I urge this committee to vote against hb246 on 01/26/21.

Don

Sent from my iPad
Hon. Don LeBrun
NH Board of Medicine
Mental Health assessment
Child hunger
Suicide prevention
Notary Public
Justice of the Peace
Lover of Life

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM

From: [Albert](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:28:17 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Live free or die well that don't mean too much days you process volume as well turn yourself into California unfortunately you won't have the constituents that they have to keep your job you better think twice about stealing the freedom which is guaranteed by the Constitution to the public

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [Robby Woods](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:26:55 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please reconsider these gun control bills do not work and only cause fear and panic. During this political climate we dont need anymore of this.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:54 PM
From: [Seth Duryea](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:18:09 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Do not pass this bill its against our Gun rights an the 2nd Amendment. All of you took a oath of office. The Constitution of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. To hold that office you have to follow the Rights of the American people. Not a whim. Removing Someone's guns prior to a hearing violates due process.

Seth Duryea III
1137 Meaderboro Rd, Farmington, NH 03835

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:38 PM
From: [Curt Howland](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:20:18 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

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Good evening.

HB 246, yet another unconstitutional gun confiscation bill, will be heard on Tuesday, January 26th.

There are already legal avenues for those judged incompetent or a danger to themselves and others having their rights curtailed, this bill is redundant in that regard.

However, this bill removes due process. A "take first, worry about legality later" attitude that is a direct violation of the NH Constitution, and a violation of the fundamental legal principle of presumption of innocence.

There can be no other reading of this bill than to make it easier for people to be deprived of their basic human rights under color of law, where no such deprivation would be possible through due process.

The easier it is for government to violate the human rights of individuals, the more that is exactly what they will do. That's why New Hampshire has a written Constitution in the first place.

The Road to Hell, paved with the very best of intentions.

Please ITL HB246.

Thank you,

Curtis Howland
Manchester NH
603-512-3414

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You may my glories and my state dispose,
But not my griefs; still am I king of those.
--- William Shakespeare, "Richard II"

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From: [Mike Shumsky](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:17:09 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I'm 71 years old, how will I be able to defend myself, it's my God-given right,
POST NO BILLS!!!'

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:54 PM
From: [Anthony Paskali](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:12:36 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please vote against HB246 and all "red flag" legislation that follows. Such legislation is a slippery slope against rights and freedoms outlined in the Bill Of Rights and the US Constitution.

The Government cannot protect everyone from everything. If it could then just legislate Sars Covid 2 to go away. How about legislation to end all deaths from opioid overdoses? How about legislation to end all deaths of the innocent unborn?

Vote against HB246.

Thank you.

Tony Paskali
26 Abbott st
Nashua, NH 03064
603-880-6392

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:54 PM
From: [Paul Martinage](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:12:04 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I implore the committee not to support the passing of HB246. This Bill has already been filed, discussed and ultimately was not passed. Please do not allow this Bill to pass.

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Respectfully,
Paul Martinage, Jr
10 Forest Rd.
Hudson, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:54 PM
From: [Nathan Bode](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:07:24 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I urge this committee to reject any and all attempts to establish red flag style gun laws. These laws are a clear violation to our natural rights, protected by the 2nd amendment. Enforcement of any such laws needlessly endangers the lives of NH citizens and the police. There are also many other threats to the safety of NH citizens that could be misidentified or caught in the crossfire of an unannounced police raid. Innocent lives are endangered by such legislation. This bill also threatens guarantees of rights of due process by treating people as guilty until they can prove their innocence. You cannot even face your accuser.

I urge all members to follow your oath of office in your protection of the NH and US Constitution and kill this bill.

A concerned citizen for the safety and liberty of myself and my fellow NH citizens,

Nathan Bode of Weare, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: timothyd12345@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:52:48 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please, don't pass HB 247. This legislation will mean anyone can anonymously accuse a person of virtually anything & the police can show up at your dwelling (unannounced) and confiscate a persons Constitutionally owned guns...& without a warrant or due process. Further, the victim my never know the accuser.

This is wrong on so many levels. Is this still America??

Please defeat this awful bill.

Thank you,

Timothy Dillon
603 545-2054

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [Edward Wood](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:32:48 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear committee

I oppose this Bill HB246. It is a direct assault on my second amendment rights.
Please do not move this bill forward..

Respectfully

Edward Wood
Wilton , NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [Steve](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:31:36 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please put an end to HB246. NH year after year is one of the safest states in the nation. We have the 3rd lowest violent crime rate in the country every year. NH citizens don't want their rights trampled by needless gun control legislation. Put an end to HB246 Now! Thank You,
Stephen Byers, Sr
Lisbon, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [Rick Novia](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:28:38 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please make this and all other "gun bills" die a peaceful death. Why does the Left insist on wasting legislative time?

Rick Novia
Derry

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [Michael D. Amirault](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:20:36 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To Whom this concerns;

Do Kill this Bill HB246.

This bill presents a grievous overreach towards law-abiding citizens. At the simple whim of someone who does not choose to own or appreciate the lawful uses of firearms. There are already laws on the books that protect others from people who intend to cause harm. This HB246 is overreach with undue process or proof can cause financial hardship on law abiding citizens. I bring forward that the inclusion of Police officers, that they could also lose their right to carry through this bill. Anyone intent to cause malicious, slanderous and or defamation against a law abiding citizens character, by having free reign to accomplish those desires utilizing this bill HB246.

Thank you
Michael D. Amirault

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [robert olszewski](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:18:58 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Gentlemen,

Any bill, like HB246, that tries to strip away any of our State constitutional rights, rights endowed to us by our creator, God Himself, is a bad bill and deserves to be sent straight to hell. These rights have bought with the blood of many good men and would serve no good other to weaken a great Republic.

Live Free or Die, Death is not the worst of evils.

KILL THE BILL

Respectly,
Robert Olszewski
Citizen of New Hampshire

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: stitelerfs@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:10:42 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

House Bill 246, if enacted, will violate many of my constitutional rights - including due process, innocence until proven guilty, my second amendment rights, and my right to confront my accuser! In fact, it would allow police to show up at my house, unannounced, to confiscate my firearms! This is a dangerous situation for *both me and the police!* *This bill* is dangerous to my Second Amendment rights and my personal liberties!

fred....

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Fred N. Stiteler III CMSgt Retired (30 July 1962 - 31 July 1992)
142 Concord Rd
Lee NH 03861
603-868-2970

*"If you are falling off a mountain,
You may as well try to fly."
-Ambassador DeLenn*

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [ROBERT HAVEY](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:17:58 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose this legislation that infringes on my constitutional rights.

Robert Havey
Warner, NH

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: Daniel Foster
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:17:32 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Good afternoon,

I am writing to you all in opposition to this dangerous Bill. I will not sit by and let you violate my Second Amendment rights! This is ridiculous! I am an American citizen and a responsible gun owner. If you are that afraid of armed citizens in NH then you are obviously horrible at what you do and afraid of the consequences when REAL Americans find out about your Tyranny.

As a citizen of this great state I demand you stand by your oath of office and protect the Constitution of The United States of America!
Sincerely,

Daniel Foster

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [Max Kalkstein](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:15:29 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Members of Committee,
For these reasons I ask you to oppose HB246.

Whereas: Part 1st, Article 2 of the New Hampshire Constitution clearly states “All men have certain natural, essential, and inherent rights – among which are, the enjoying and defending life and liberty; acquiring, possessing, and protecting, property...” and;

Whereas: Part 1st, Article 2a of the New Hampshire Constitution expands upon those protections and succinctly states “All persons have the right to keep and bear arms in defense of themselves, their families, their property and the state.” and;

Whereas: The Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution clearly states that “the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed” and;

Whereas: This inalienable, individual right clearly includes the right of all law-abiding citizens to purchase and carry a gun for self-defense, and;

Whereas: New Hampshire is consistently ranked as one of the safest states, and;

Whereas: Real-life experience and extensive research both clearly demonstrate that restricting the right to bear arms in self-defense only encourages violent crime, and;

Whereas: That when law abiding people are free to make their own choices of whether or not to carry concealed firearms everyone benefits because criminals have no way of knowing if their intended victims are armed and able to defend themselves and their peers, and;

Whereas: Due process is a critical part of our Criminal Justice system, and HB246 require law enforcement to take private property before someone has been charged with a crime, and;

Whereas: HB246 is nothing more than Bloomberg funded gun confiscation measures, and;

Whereas: HB246 will not solve the underlying health issues that cause people to be depressed;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to protect liberty and the civil rights of individuals to defend themselves, their peers and their families, and to honor the oath you took to uphold the Constitutions, **we formally REQUEST that HB246, a bill intended to strip citizens of private property prior to being convicted of a crime, be OPPOSED.**

Respectfully,
Max Kalkstein.

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:56 PM
From: [Rick Notkin](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:10:30 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Greetings,

I am saddened as well as disappointed that a “red flag” gun confiscation bill is being introduced.

While I suppose that I can't blame you for trying, I feel strongly that when it came up in committee last time that people were able to testify in person, said bill's supposed benefits were thoroughly and completely debunked.

I urge you all to defeat this bill and rule ITL.

Thank you.

Rick Notkin
Gilford

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From: [Richard Littlefield](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:05:34 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs; JR Hoell, Secretary, NHFC, Inc.

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Gentlemen and Ladies,

This bill does not achieve the lofty goals it purports to. Instead it puts in harm's way the gun owners and police at whom it is directed. It is a bill that would be heartily approved by every petty autocrat and potential despot. It strips citizens of due process and eliminates their arms at the same time. The Third Reich would definitely approve. YOU SHOULDN'T...

Richard Littlefield
Jaffrey NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:56 PM
From: [Jo-Anne Poore](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:02:58 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please keep our Constitutional right in nh. Once we lose our freedom it will be gone forever.
Sincerely JoAnne Poore

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:57 PM
From: [Paul Boore](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:59:05 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Chairman,

Unfortunately, the unhinged leftists are at it again. This is not a time to try to push against the Constitution of the USA (2nd Amendment) nor that of NH (Article 2-a). The guarantee of the Right to keep and bear arms was meant to protect the original citizens against a tyrannical government, like the ones with which we are forced to deal today. This is an inalienable (given by God) right so the thought that one can in any way diminish that RIGHT is vain thinking.

Please uphold the Constitutions and don't allow this nonsense to move forward.

Paul

Paul Boore
231 Stable Rd
Milford, NH 03055
C 603-554-7527

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:57 PM
From: [Kenneth Wiggin](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:58:21 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This bill will do nothing to stop crime and will only adversely effect law biding citizens. Please vote against this bill. Thank you. Kenneth Wiggin.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:57 PM

From: bob

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:58:06 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

I strictly oppose any and all measures to do with this Bill HB246 and further recommend that all those who back this bill should re-educate themselves by reading the 2nd amendment of the US Constitution as well as the 2nd amendment of the New Hampshire constitution, giving me the God given right to protect my life and property. This bill will do nothing to protect the citizens of New Hampshire but only give the democrates more power and control which is their only cause.

I ask the legislature to kill this bill upon presentation.

Yours:Robert Wilkonski

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:57 PM
From: [Touch Freedom - Integrity Above All](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:54:51 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

As a proud New Hampshire resident and voter.....I think HB246 needs to be terminated. This anti 2nd Amendment legislation only serves to give government more power over free citizens without due process.

New Hampshire is safe BECAUSE of our lack of restriction of firearms. This proposed legislation has NO place in our State.

Live FREE or die.

Erik Lehtinen
www.TouchFreedom.org
TouchFreedom (at) ProtonMail.com

"G D created Man but Sam Colt made them equal" ~ Old West Adage

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:40 PM
From: Abby G.
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:51:57 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am writing to ask you to oppose HB 246. This bill, if enacted, will violate our constitutional rights - including our due process, our innocence until proven guilty, our second amendment rights, and our rights to face our accuser. Red flag laws would allow for the unconstitutional seizure of our firearms at the whim of any individual who may have a personal grievance or axe to grind , and they violate the freedoms our ancestors fought so hard to earn. Please, protect our rights and uphold our Constitution by killing HB246.

Thank you,
Abby Gendron

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From: [bobby](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:53:28 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

I strongly urge you to vote NO on HB246!!

The real reason for HB246 is to confiscate our guns and is NOT about safety!

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:57 PM
From: [David Gill](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:52:23 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This was a bad bill the last time. It's still a bad bill.

Please kill this

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Dave Gill.....
E Wakefield NH

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From: [Leo](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:45:26 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Leave honest gun owners alone. More unconstitutional laws won't fix anything. If you take away guns from good people only bad people will have guns!

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:57 PM
From: [Steven Schaeffer](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:44:22 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am totally opposed to this bill.

Steve

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:23 PM
From: Rainman
Sent: Thursday, February 25, 2021 6:43:35 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

[House Bill 246](#), if enacted, will violate many of our constitutional rights – including our **due process**, our **innocence until proven guilty**, our **second amendment rights**, and our **right to confront your accuser!** In fact, it would allow police to show up at your house, unannounced, to confiscate your firearms!

Please KILL this UNCONSTITUTIONAL / ANTI-FREEDOM / ANTI-GUN / ANTI-AMERICAN bill.

Brendan Rainville
Plaistow, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:35 PM
From: therese108@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:47:01 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill, HB 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

I am asking that you oppose the Gun Confiscation Bill, HB 246. Passing this bill would be a serious violation of our rights guaranteed under the US Constitution.

Thank you,

John Walega, Jr.
55 Dodge Road
Amherst, NH 03031-2541

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:32 PM
From: [Ray Pinard](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:58:33 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Cc: ray@raypinard.com
Subject: H.B. 246 - Red Flag Legislation
Importance: Normal

Please vote no on moving this bill forward. In summary...

- No right to due process prior to confiscation
- One is assume to be dangerous until they prove they are not
- Confiscation is based on someone's work, no proof necessary
- Your accuser is kept secret
- Even is one "wins" their case they will spend thousands in legal fees
- These actions may likely be detrimental to a person's reputation and adversely impact their employment/employment prospects

Respectfully,

Ray Pinard
43 N. Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301
603-620-7500

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: jakenh@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 2, 2021 3:24:53 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: FW: HB 246
Importance: Normal

To Whom It May Concern: I oppose HB 246 as I see this bill violating my constitutional right to own a firearm. This is just another attempt to take away guns from law abiding citizens. Under this bill if my neighbor gets upset with me they can call and make an accusation without any proof and my guns will be taken away. They assume you to be dangerous until you prove you are not!!! I understand what the bill is trying to accomplish but is not well written. Thank you, Michael Jache, 2 Donald St., Hooksett NH 03106

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: jakenh@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 10:44:59 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB 246
Importance: Normal

I oppose Hb 246 as I feel once again this bill is all about taking away my rights to own a firearm. Thanks
Michael Jache, 2 Donald St, Hooksett. NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: simm@myfairpoint.net
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 2:26:33 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB 246
Importance: Normal

This so-called elder abuse gun bill should be killed. I'm 84 and no fool. They aren't interested in my rights. I can't believe that New Hampshire has come to this.
Robrt Simmonds

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:40 PM
From: [Charles Chapin](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:20:27 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

House Democrat Leader Renny Cushing reintroduced the Red Flag Gun Confiscation Bill.

[House Bill 246](#), if enacted, will violate many of my constitutional rights - including my due process, my innocence until proven guilty, my second amendment rights, and my right to confront my accuser! In fact, it would allow police to show up at my house, unannounced, to confiscate my firearms! This is a dangerous situation for *me* and *the police*!

This type of legislation allows people with a personal grievance to use the Government to take my firearms without due process.

Charles Chapin

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: [WL](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:14:42 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: hb 246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose hb 246, there is already a process to safely and constitutionally remove a dangerous individual's firearms. Adding more unnecessary laws only serves to constrain the rights we all love. Elderly granite staters are still people who deserve rights and respect. Especially when this year has been so hard on them.

- Sincerely William Lynch

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:45 PM
From: [Arnold Newman](#)
Sent: Saturday, January 23, 2021 3:21:02 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB 246
Importance: Normal

Thanks the opportunity to speak on this bill. First I must say that I fortunate to have loving children and grandchildren.

As a senior citizen I have witnessed acts of abuse aimed at seniors on two occasions. One caused serious increase to an already life threatening issue. A grandchild of a man who had been given power of attorney to allegedly

help him through his senior years and his recurring epilepsy seizures was withholding medication and income from retirement funds and would use the practice to get cash from him.

As a result he had a seizure and fell hitting his head on the corner of a table. When EMT arrived he withheld info regarding her practice. A short time later she spiked one of his drinks causing him to fall twice in one evening. The 2nd time he opened a large cut on his forehead. The EMT arrived and took him to the hospital. The police were notified and were given the information.

During a search of her apt

a large amount of the meds she was withholding was discovered along with cash.

I don't know how she managed it but her punishment was a restraining order keeping her no less than 200 feet from his apt. He was sent home but passed away a month later. A few days later I asked one of the police officers what would happened to her? He told me they did all they could.

The second instance is not so damaging but still had a negative effect on the senior. Without verbal or written permission a senior woman's son decided on his own to take her car and give it to his teen son to drive. She hasn't had a moving violation or accident in 12 yrs. She reported the car stolen to her local police department. The officer questioned her about her health and age. He also made remarks inferring to the idea that she is old and forgetful. There is no public transportation so she depends on neighbors to take her to market and medical appts.

Senior abuse isn't just referring to physical damage, which does happen it refers to larceny, using meds and money as a method of blackmail.

Forging checks and illegal use of credit cards.

The laws regarding what actions could be taken by the victims or law enforcement must be and should be tightened so alleged perpetrators wouldn't be so quick to commit the deeds

Thank you all for listening to my message. I urge you to vote in favor of HB 246

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:43 PM
From: [Eric Wilson](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:12:05 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB 246.
Importance: Normal

It's been said you'll be hearing on this Bill again? This bill can't be passed. We must stand up for our rights and uphold our second amendment! We entrust you to keep our constitutional rights protected. And I would hope you truly do so.

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:23 PM

From: [Arnold Newman](#)

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:13:02 AM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Subject: HB 246

Importance: Normal

Thanks for the opportunity to speak in favor of the passage of HB246

As a senior citizen I have witnessed abuse aimed at seniors on 2 occasions . The first involves a seniors grand daughter who had power of attorney and was tasked to help him with his meds ,dr. appointments, shopping and other routine tasks. He suffered from epilepsy.

Instead she withheld his medication, pension and S.S. benefits to extort cash from him.

He fell and hit his head on the corner of a coffee table. When the EMT arrived he withheld the information about his lack of meds.

A short time later she came to visit and bragged about spiking his drinks.

He fell twice. The 2nd time he opened a large cut on his forehead. One of the neighbors called 911. The EMTs. Someone notified the police. They searched her apt and found a large amount of the meds she was holding back and some cash.

I don't know how she managed it but her punishment was a restraining order prohibiting her from coming closer than 200 ft

from his apt. He passed away about a month later

A few days later i asked one of the policeman that was involved what would happen to her.

He told me that they did all they could

The 2nd instance is not as damaging but still had a negative effect on a senior.

Without verbal or written permission a senior woman's son decided on his own to take the car and give it to his teen son. to drive. The woman drove regularly and hadn't had a moving violation or accident in 12 yrs.

She reported the car as stolen to her local police.

The officer questioned health and age. He also made remarks related to her age and she may be forgetful.

There is no public transportation so now she depends on neighbors.

Senior abuse isn't just referring to physical damage, which does happen but includes larceny, forgery, and illegal use of credit cards

The laws regarding what actions could be taken by victims and law enforcement must be and should be tightened so alleged perpetrators wouldn't be so quick to commit the deeds

Thank you for listening to my message.

I urge you to vote in favor of HB 246 and join other states in the protection of vulnerable and seniors

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: gbimonte@myfairpoint.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:51:58 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB246 GUN CONFISCATION BILL
Importance: Normal

Dear Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee Members,

Red Flag laws, also called Gun Violence Restraining Orders and Extreme Risk Protection Orders, are gun-confiscation laws disguised as "gun-violence prevention" laws that are being pushed hard at both the state and federal levels.

The stated goal of such a law is "to prevent a person from harming themselves or others. "The law does no such thing! Such laws violate many of our constitutional protections and are fraught with problems:

- NO NOTICE UNTIL POLICE SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR,PRE-DAWN,WITH GUNS DRAWN - a dangerous situation for everyone involved;
- YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO CONFISCATION;
- YOU ARE ASSUMED TO BE DANGEROUS UNTIL YOU PROVE YOU'RE NOT;
- CONFISCATION IS BASED ON SOMEONE'S WORD-NO PROOF NECESSARY;
- YOUR ACCUSER IS KEPT SECRET, ALLOWING THEM TO HARASS YOU WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE;
- YOU LOSE EVEN IF YOU WIN - You WILL spend thousands in legal fees and it could even impact your reputation and employment;
- YOUR GUNS WILL LIKELY BE DAMAGED OR EVEN POSSIBLY DESTROYED;
- THERE'S NO PROTECTION FROM REPEATED RED FLAG CONFISCATIONS.

As further proof that Red Flag laws are not meant to save lives, but to simply confiscate guns, ask yourself this: "If a person is 'too dangerous' to own a gun, then why is that person walking around with the rest of us? Can't that 'dangerous' person still commit suicide or harm others if they have the opportunity?" Americans are intentionally not being told of the serious constitutional and practical problems with Red Flag laws.

I URGE YOU TO KILL THIS BILL!!!!

Respectfully,
Gloria Bimonte
Sullivan, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Ted Read](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 12:50:23 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill, it seems we are losing more rights (especially concerning gun rights in our state) what has happened to our motto (Live FREE or Die) we need to step back and take another look at sponsoring such bills as
HB-246 Please kill this bill.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:30 PM
From: [WALTER DOOLIN](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:49:43 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

Please kill bill HB-246.

Thank you,

Walter Doolin
Sandown, NH

Sent from XFINITY Connect App

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:29 PM
From: [Lori and Frank](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:07:51 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

To Whom it May Concern:
HB 246 must be Abandoned/Killed
Thank You
F. Parks
NH Resident
Lori and Frank

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:30 PM
From: Ken Park, Jr.
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:06:45 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Cc: SCOTT MALTZIE; Keith Hanson; jose4nh@comcast.net
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

Kenneth Park, Jr
P.O. Box 1473,
Salem, NH 03079
Resident of Loudon, NH

HB-246 - Red Flag Law...

Dear Committee and Honorable Members of the House. Thank you for the opportunity to participate. I present this letter before the House opposition to your case to infringe on our Amendments. Specifically Article 1, 2, 2a and 2b.

Article 1 – All men are born equally free and independent; therefore, all government of right originates from the people, is founded in consent, and instituted for the general good. - June 2, 1784

We The People are free and independent, therefore government, has no right to legislate unless consent is given. I rise in opposition, and state before God, you do not have my consent.

Article 2 - Natural Rights -- All men have certain natural, essential, and inherent rights among which are, the enjoying and defending life and liberty; acquiring, possessing, and protecting, property; and, in a word, of seeking and obtaining happiness. Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by this state on account of race, creed, color, sex or national origin. - June 2, 1784
Amended 1974 adding sentence to prohibit discrimination.

Natural Rights are not legislated. It is a violation of your Oath's of office to infringe, on Natural Rights, As the State Constitution makes no provisions on how we choose defend our rights to life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property.

2nd Amendment - A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

Article 2a - [The Bearing of Arms.] All persons have the right to keep and bear arms in defense of themselves, their families, their property and the state. - December 1, 1982

The State references Bearing of Arms, is not defined as "Shall Not Infringe", however you are mandated to adhere to the US Constitution, the Oath as you may recall, was Sworn on The US Constitution, and The State Constitution, whereas this legislation is in violation of both, infringing on our Rights to defend ourselves, our families, our property and the state, from institutions, that may attempt to usurp the authority to make laws to infringe our ability to defend our property and effects, by any means necessary.

Article 2b [Right of Privacy.] An individual's right to live free from governmental intrusion in private or personal information is natural, essential, and inherent. -- December 5, 2018

By my having to present a written testimonial, is an intrusion of my privacy, of my effects, to support our Rights. My testimony is now in the public domain, and as a business owner, this can affect my business, for those clients that would seek my services that may have differing positions on hiring my business, whereas I could care less about the politics of my clients, but my clients may choose another business based on my politics. You are in affect violating my Right of Privacy, violating your Oath.

Thank you for your time, and vote to ITL HB 246 another waste of tax payer funding to create, manage and legislate this bill, that did not originate within the community of New Hampshire.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Kenneth D Park, Jr.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:42 PM
From: [Mike Thornton](#)
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 5:56:16 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

Chair, Representative Pearson
Representatives
New Hampshire Citizens

I spoke in opposition to HB246 as an individual and a representative of the New Hampshire Firearms Coalition.

Please, read the official State PDF, still on-line regarding this particular Legislation HB246.

Page 3, Lines 20 & 21 “order the defendant to hand over firearms and dangerous weapons.”

The folks who insist that the word “firearms” had been expunged gave either unknowing or, perhaps disingenuous testimony. Several other individuals, representatives, and an attorney persist in presenting clearly inaccurate testimony harmful to all citizens.

The intent seems quite clear, if a Elder, perhaps similar to a Veteran like myself claims to have been harmed, the *accused* WILL BE HARMED.

Appreciate the kindness of the intent; however, this particular execution is flawed. Please consider finding HB246 ITL.

Gratitude,

Mike Thornton
561 North River Road
Milford, NH 03055-5012
603.249.6666 mobile
603.249.9981 residence

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:40 PM
From: mark.r.gagnon
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:59:46 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Do not pass House Bill 246. It is a charade to confiscate a law abiding citizen's firearms without due process, to undermine and ultimately destroy the Second Amendment. Live Free or Die and to Hell with the Marxist Left.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:33 PM
From: nashua4act@verizon.net
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:28:53 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

I know you are extremely busy so I will make this quick.

I implore you to stop HB-246 from becoming law. This bill is dangerous legislation and a direct threat to our 2nd Amendment.

Thank you,

Harry Doult
Manchester, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: J.D. BERNARDY
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:13:04 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

Fellow Representatives

I oppose HB246. It abolishes:

- 1) the principle of innocent until proven guilty;
- 2) one's due process rights;
- 3) the right to confront one's accuser; and
- 4) one's Second Amendment/NH Constitution 2A Rights.

Vote NO on HB246.

LFOD

J David Bernardy, JD

Rockingham 16
S Hampton, Kensington, E Kingston

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:33 PM
From: [Rslarson1975](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:25:52 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill in committee. Common sense says that people who are dangerous to themselves can find multiple ways of doing bodily harm without using a gun. Guns don't pull triggers, people do. Why not outlaw antidepressant drugs. They cause more suicides than guns. This is just a backdoor gun grab. The public won't stand for it. Someone will get hurt.
Respectfully, Robert Larson

Sent with [ProtonMail](#) Secure Email.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: [Douglas Boisvert](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:57:04 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

Good afternoon,

I am emailing this committee with a request to not pass this bill.

This bill infringes on all of our second amendment rights without any due process. This is unacceptable and should not be allowed to happen.

Governor Chris Sununu vetoed a similar bill in 2020 for a reason, it is against our constitutional rights as free Americans.

I have contacted my representatives and also my senator to express my opposition to this bill.

Please consider stopping this bill from leaving the committee.

Thank you for your time.

Douglas Boisvert
201 Ragged Mountain Rd, Danbury, NH 03230

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:37 PM
From: gbert@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:05:53 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

Hi;

I am respectfully requesting that HB-246 be terminated, this opens up to abuse on our 2nd Amendment rights to be abused. I would be happy to discuss but again respectfully request this Bill be terminated.

All the best;

Gary Bert
Windham, NH
USFA Vet

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:49 PM
From: [James Cropsey](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:09:06 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

Honorable sirs:

I'm writing in opposition to HB246, a red flag law.

The problem with this legislation is that anyone may spitefully represent that someone else is a danger to the community, or themselves, without consequences for fraudulent and mischievous claims.

Meanwhile, the good citizen has their life turned upside down in order to refute a negative, (which is always difficult to do) has legal costs and, in the event first responders perform a surprise search and seizure, the lives of Police are put in jeopardy unnecessarily.

James Cropsey
376 Sanborn Road
Tilton, NH 03276

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From: [taylor jeff](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:02:23 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

I e-mail this committee today to voice my opposition to HB-246. Once again House Democrat Leader Renny Cushing tries to stuff this nonsensical Red Flag Gun Confiscation Bill down the throats of NH citizens. this is a bill with so much possibility of being abused to further a political agenda,, what a surprise. I would remind the committee that there is a reason the Democrats are in the minority, its because of rubbish bills like this repeatedly being introduced in the guise of "doing something to stop crime"

I would further remind our elected officials that they took an oath to uphold the NH Constitution,,, that means ALL the Constitution, not just the parts you happen to like or suits your political desires of the moment. Should any of the elected officials there today find it a struggle to uphold our Constitution please look around the room, somewhere there is a door marked "EXIT",, please use it.

Regards,
Jeff Taylor.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:49 PM
From: [Lily Clark](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:23:31 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

I am writing to ask you to please throw this bill out!!! It is a violation of our civil rights. Thank you Lily Clark

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:37 PM
From: [taylor jeff](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:54:11 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

I e-mail this committee today to voice my opposition to HB-246.

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Regards,
Jeff Taylor.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:55 PM
From: [Edward Lynch](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:27:41 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB246
Importance: Normal

Please Kill this unconstitutional assault on our 2nd amendment : HB246

Thank You, Edward Lynch

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:41 PM
From: [David Davis](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:53:16 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee,

I most strongly encourage the committee to kill House Bill 246. It violates so many constitutional rights that you would think it was written by a member of the communist party seeking to disarm the general population prior to taking control of the government. The right to due process and a trial by your peers, the right to face your accuser, infringement of 2nd amendment rights when no crime has been committed or laws broken. **It is enforceable on hearsay alone** ... which is never allowed in court in a real proceeding.

The path on which our government is heading not only scares me, but as an American, it disgusts me.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

David A. Davis
304 Partridge Lane
North Haverhill, NH 03774

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:44 PM
From: [Robert Snell](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:50:18 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this Bill.

"Never trust a government that doesn't trust its own citizens with guns." -Thomas Jefferson

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:56 PM

From: [bobby](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:06:45 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: HB246

Importance: Normal

HB246

I strongly urge you to vote NO on HB246!!

The real reason for HB246 is full gun confiscation and is NOT in any way about safety!!

James Connor

PO Box 473

Troy, NH 03465

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:23 PM
From: Ted Bantis
Sent: Wednesday, February 3, 2021 9:29:37 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: hb246
Importance: Normal

Dear House Committee
Please stop HB 246 it is not good for New Hampshire.
Thank You.

Ted Bantis

T.J.B., Inc.
Ted Bantis Trucking and Excavating
879 Londonderry Turnpike
Auburn, NH 03032
(603) 627-8519
(603) 624-9190 fax

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:28 PM
From: [Thomas Fleury](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 6:16:21 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: HB-246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill. This is bad for our state! HB-246

Thanks
Thomas Fleury

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:42 PM
From: Mike Thornton
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:28:31 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Fwd: HHS&S HB246 Hearing
Importance: Normal

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From: **Mike Thornton** <mikelt091350@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Feb 8, 2021 at 11:44 AM
Subject: HHS&S HB246 Hearing
To: canonpearson@yahoo.com <canonpearson@yahoo.com>

Representative Mark Pearson
Chair, House HHS&ES Committee
Committee Members, Representatives

Mr. Representative Pearson;

I was duly registered to testify before your HHS&ES Committee on 26 January 2021. I was to speak in opposition to HB246 and had logged into the Zoom meeting just prior to 1:30 p.m. scheduled start time. I was disconnected several times from your proceedings, and subsequently reconnected each time.

When you did call the Hearing to order to consider HB246, I been listening to two prior Bills, sat and listened to each speaker re: HB246, give their testimony and awaited my opportunity to testify.

I was stunned to hear you state that all who had registered to speak had spoken. As you promised, at just after 4:30 p.m. you adjourned until 1 p.m. 8 February 2021. I shall be present, electronically, and available to testify.

Sir, I had, unfortunately, not been accorded the opportunity for which I had duly registered on the State of New Hampshire's official website.

Have attached both the electronic receipts for the 26th of January 2021 and for your scheduled 8 February 2021 at 1 p.m., reconvening at a date and time certain. I shall apply again Monday, 8 February 2021 in an act of redundancy.

Sincerely would appreciate your special attention to my applications to testify before your Committee in opposition to HB246.

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I am:

A Member of the Public

I'm Representing:

New Hampshire Firearms Coalition

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Thank you for registering to testify at 1:45 pm on HB246 on 1/26/2021.

Please email written testimony and documents you wish to share with the Committee to HHSEA@leg.state.nh.us.

Sign-in data will be compiled one half hour prior to the start of the Committee's hearing. If you sign in after that time, the Committee may not have your name before them; however, the Chair will provide an opportunity for you to speak once they have called through the list of names before them.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact HCS@leg.state.nh.us or call House Committee Services at (603) 271-3600.

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Date: 2/8/2021

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Legislation: 1:00 pm - HB246

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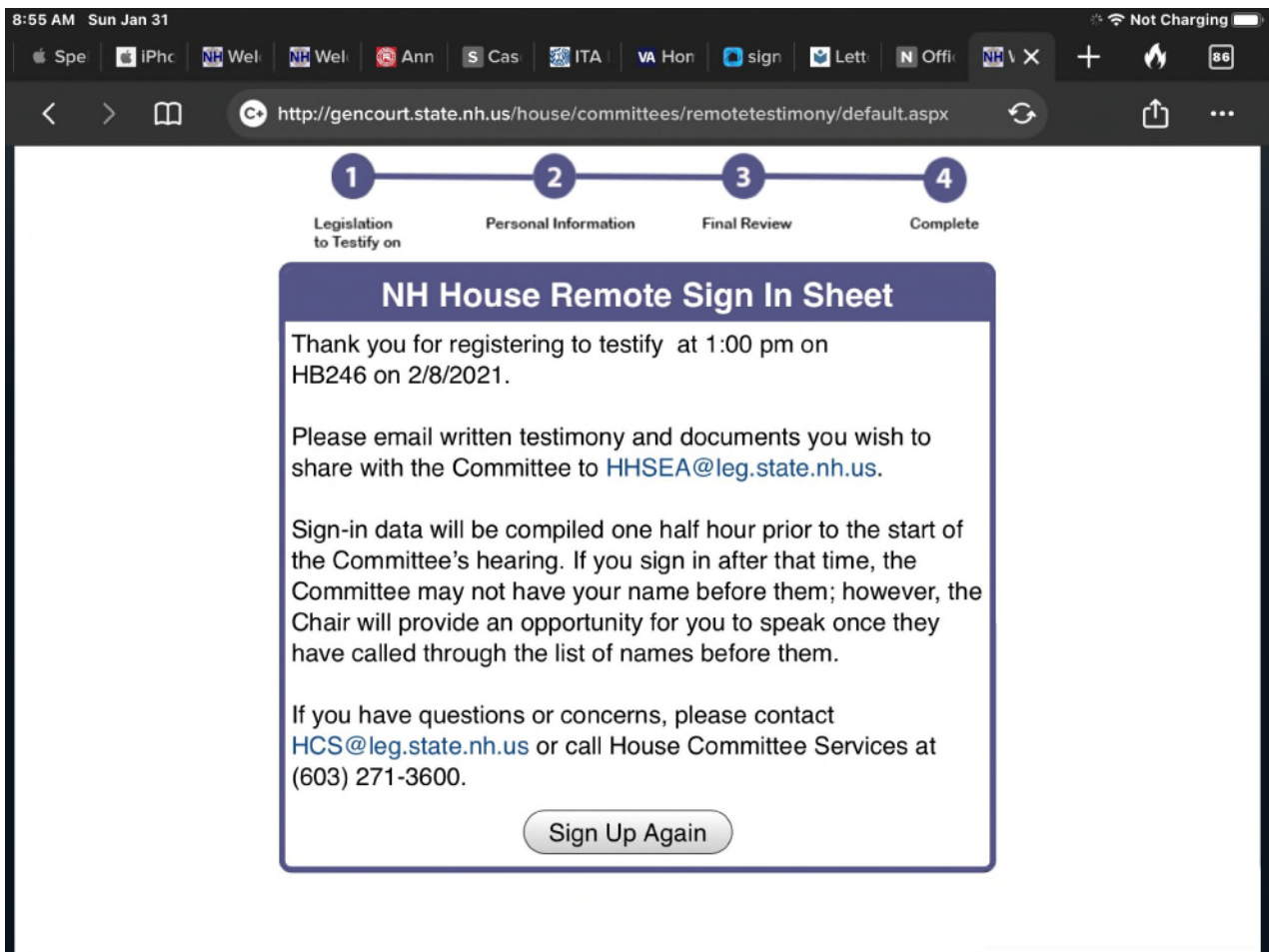
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I am **OPPOSED** to this Bill

I **DO WISH** to Speak on this Bill

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Representative Pearson, believe that I have, twice, complied with all of the requisite formalities to be permitted to testify before your Committee, and shall once more.

Would truly appreciate the same opportunity which has been granted to the sponsor's supporters.

Am attaching, immediately below, my written testimony:

Thank you.

Michael E. Thornton
561 North River Road
Milford, NH 03055
603.249.6666 mobile
603.239.9981 residence

Chair, Representative Pearson 26 January 2021
State Representatives, 8 February 2021
Fellow New Hampshire Citizens;

I am Michael E. Thornton, 561 North River Road, Milford, 03055.
A New Hampshire citizen since August, 1993.

- Speaking today as a private citizen and, on this occasion, with this statement, a representative of the New Hampshire Firearms Coalition. [was NOT recognized to speak, 26 January 2021 despite receipted electronic request. Please see electronic request, attached]
- I am, opposed to HB246, and the Coalition is also OPPOSED to HB246. We ask you to find it ITL.
- Earlier, similar, legislation could have also immediately deprived any accused of their Rights [compared those to Criminal Codes], subject them to immediate seizure of property, and seizure of essential financial assets upon the ‘prophylactic presumption of guilt.’ Then, only after a delay of some time before adjudication (30 days with 10 day extension - plus unaccountable other delays), at considerable expense, the accused (defendant) arguably... could be found guilty upon only “the preponderance of evidence.” No mention of a jury of their peers.
- in response to the Representative and the attorney who maintained that “firearms are NOT mentioned in the proposed legislation.” The official PDF, which I read online at 2:43, the morning of 26 January 2021 specifically does call out “firearms.” Please refer to, I believe Page 3, lines 20 & 21: “order defendant to hand over firearms or deadly weapons...”. This would not allow a legally armed citizen to tender their property into adequately trustworthy, accountable, private safekeeping. Must the accused, thereafter, file a writ of recovery, to the appropriate authority, at additional expense, in order to regain their property? At what additional expense and who shall be accountable for accurate receipting for - and the adequate care for their seized property? How would damage to a citizen’s property be compensated?

- The enabling language requires a plaintiff to attest that they realize they are accountable for bearing false witness. An “incompetent” cannot provide such attestation, by law. Therefore, the possible accused would have no protections whatsoever under the law.
- Hardened career criminals are accorded far greater protections; they are only convicted under protection of a trial by a jury of their peers, provided free legal counsel if necessary, and are found guilty only upon government proof “beyond reasonable doubt.” Evidence gathered from the fruit of the poisoned tree cannot be used against hardened career criminals. Seemingly the same protection does not obtain for ‘caregivers.’ Certainly I can not allow my children, to ‘care for me’ as I age; they can ill afford the risk of being my ‘caregiver’ under this legislation. Even were the strictures ‘only financial,’ the threatened consequences are far too dire for almost any family. Therefore, my fate may be of a Veteran, exiled from his own caring comfortable home; thereafter to be warehoused in a disease laden charnel house. Please refer to the mortality at the State Veteran’s Home of late. Must I be compelled to await death amongst strangers, at the mercy of people I neither know nor have reason to trust?

Does a son have the “legal obligation” to forego his own family’s physical safety & care, travel to a far distant state, and pay for his father’s terminal care? Your legislation does not seem to address such issues. Sadly, one of several serious potential flaws. I relocated to Ohio, during my father’s very challenging last six months of life. I was, unknowingly under the risk of similar laws enacted in Ohio. Had I been aware of their legal ‘protections for elders’ I could not have so hazarded my own family. Clarence Eugene Thornton, SFC, United States us Army would have died alone, a stranger in a Veteran’s warehouse.

- Your intent, on face value, is laudable. As a “Senior” I appreciate your concerns. Please, do NOT so ‘protect’ me. Thus ‘protected,’ I’d be a defenseless elder in a world of far younger and far stronger criminals.
 - HB246 would place any potential caregiver’s liberty, property, and life savings at grave risk were they to care for an “at risk, emotionally, or mentally challenged elder” under these proposals.
 - Where is the evidence of the extreme need for HB246? Please provide, at least, metadata, absent identifying information supporting assertion of extreme & immediate need.
 - Why are not the existing criminal codes adequate to enforce existing laws? Why do these ‘presumptive’ codes continue to be proposed? Each seems to threaten deprivation of “firearms or other dangerous weapons,” despite pointed and explicit assertions to the contrary.
- * please note that no negligent or harmful action(s) need have been committed, no harm whatsoever suffered, before the crushing power of the State, hanging over the head of any citizen/caregiver would be able to strike. Only a person intent upon self-destruction would ever risk caring for any elder or ‘at risk’ fellow citizen, the potential downside is too great.
- Conclusion
 - Who will provide ‘Elder Care’ If the burden and risk of caring for these fellow citizens comes at the grave danger of HB246’s threats?

Indeed, despite direct, incorrect, testimony otherwise, the confiscatory enabling language concerning “firearms and deadly weapons” remains in the enabling language proposed.

There are many military veterans in your ranks, they will attest that their training makes anything “a dangerous weapon”. Indeed, any single word is capable of being misinterpreted as inducing emotional damage to an ‘at risk elder.’

***** Respectfully request the Committee recognize
HB246, is potentially far more harmful than
beneficial. Ask that you please find HB246 ITL.

The New Hampshire Firearms Coalition and I strongly oppose
HB246.

Thank you. I am available for questions. I shall be answering
ONLY as an individual citizen, at your convenience. The comments
above conclude my representation of the New Hampshire Firearms
Coalition.

Respectfully,

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561 North River Road
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603.249.6666 mobile
603.249.9981 residence
Corporal, USMC
Captain, USAF (ret)
100% Disabled Veteran
Experienced Citizen

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:33 PM
From: [Ken Leonard](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:33:50 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246 - not in support
Importance: Normal

To HHSEA Members:

I am opposed to HB246 and urge you to remove it from consideration.

So-called "Red Flag Laws" subvert Constitutional guarantees. It takes Second Amendment rights away from citizens without needing to prove guilt or even allow the accused to confront the accuser.

It is not hard to imagine these laws being abused by someone with an axe to grind or to be used to remove rights from those with various political opinions, as we are seeing play out in Big Tech, Congress, and the media with the abuse of First Amendment rights. The Bill of Rights must stand firm, and Red Flag Laws do not pass that bar.

Thank you.

Ken Leonard
Derry, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:30 PM
From: [Dr Walter Moore](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:56:53 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246 - Please kill this bill!
Importance: Normal

To the honorable members of the Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee,

Please Kill HB 246.

This type of legislation allows people with a personal grievance to use the Government to take your firearms without due process.

It must be stopped!

Respectfully,

Dr. Walter Moore
Chiropractor
DOT Certified Medical Examiner
603-723-4509
115 South Road, West Canaan, NH 03741

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: BRAD
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:38:54 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246 - please kill this bill
Importance: Normal

At its heart, it's just thinly disguised gun control.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:31 PM
From: [MLT](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:23:01 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246 needs to be killed!
Importance: Normal

Hello,

House Bill 246 needs to be stopped and killed!

Thank you,
Mark Tuthill
Grafton County, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Adam J Santoro](#)
Sent: Monday, February 1, 2021 8:11:21 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please stop HB 246. I came to NH to escape gun control. I don't want to have to leave this wonderful state.

-Adam Santoro

Belmont, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:41 PM
From: James Friel
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:34:05 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am writing in opposition to HB 246 which will be discussed on the 26th. This Bill does not reflect the true nature of what New Hampshire was founded on nor believes in. I would ask that this Bill be defeated in the process and do what is right. The people of the state look forward to you supporting the Natives of the State. Thanking You in advance for you'r support in this matter.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Robert](#)
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 3:17:46 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

N.H. has no problems with the 2nd amendment and further legislation is not needed, we have enough laws already.
Please kill this bill.

Respectfully,
Robert Lariviere
51 Baker St.
Keene, NH 03431
rl510k@myfairpoint.net

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Patricia Heilhecker](#)
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 8:33:54 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please show your opposition to this anti second amendment proposal and vote no.

Thank You
Pat Heilhecker, meetinghouse rd
Merrimack, nh
03054

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Alan Mikoloski](#)
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2021 5:01:28 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

You must kill this Bill. Totally unconstitutional to let someone make an allegation against anyone they want to and then have the police come and confiscate your firearms and leave you no personal protection or ability to hunt and target shoot. Doesn't matter if a judge has to approve it first as most judges are liberal and would love the chance to disarm law abiding citizens

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM

From: [Thomas Burt](#)

Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 2:50:32 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: House Bill 246

Importance: Normal

Please stop Bill 246 and save our 2nd amendment rights.

Thank you

Tom Burt

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Michael Vermette](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 1:16:32 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

PLEASE KILL THIS BILL!!

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: Brett Tourigny
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 11:39:34 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose HB246!

Emailing from Hawaii, the state My fiance and I currently reside in.

After living here for 11 years we have met people from all walks of life, different cultures, different traditions, who were raised in different countries.

A common theme from all the people whom I have met was that America is great for it's financial benefit, it's freedoms, and acceptance of all people.

Personally I was born and raised in Massachusetts. Out of all the places in the world I could live, my fiance and I had a house built in the lakes region of New Hampshire. We are so excited to live in such a beautiful area, with beautiful people.

We chose New Hampshire because we appreciate the benefits of small town living. Where you can still go to your neighbor for a favor or help someone broke down on the side of the road without thinking twice about it.

We mustn't forget how valuable it is to live in such an area.

I am a 2a supporter but I am a man with reason and an open mind.

At the same time no due process on such a firearm confiscation bill is wrong.

We must stop hurting our friends, our neighbors, we must continue to help eachother.

Everyday I wake up I see more "help" from the government. To be blunt, we need less government involvement in our lives. Thats what makes New Hampshire such a beautiful place as it stands. Let us keep New Hampshire New Hampshire and move foward with a keen mind.

Thank you

Brett Tourigny

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Julie Walsh](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 11:23:46 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I oppose HB246 and I urge you to oppose it as well.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: Gary Watson
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 10:32:24 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill House Bill 246. Laws like these have no place in New Hampshire.

Thank you,

Mr and Mrs Gary Watson
81 Pendleton Lane
Londonderry NH 03053

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Rzim](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 9:20:40 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please do not allow HB 246 to pass and thereafter destroy our rights

Robert V Ziminsky
227 Campbell Mill Road
Mason, NH 03048

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Carl Scheidegg](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 6:02:12 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Another "red flag" bill attempt, but this time word is out early so we can email our outrage that some folks still keep putting in bills for consideration that are blatantly unconstitutional on their face. You simply cannot allow anyone to claim a gun owner is a threat, have police confiscate their weapons, never reveal who made this claim, and then have to prove at great expense you are innocent of what? How does a bill that denies basic due process even get to a committee? This is legislative nonsense and should be ended quickly by the committee.

I am frightened to use the time-tested language "kill the bill" for fear that this might be interpreted as some sort of threat so I will simply urge the committee members to vote "inexpedient to legislate" while noting that it is otherwise deemed non-threatening to say "kill the baby" in the womb when it is considered "inexpedient to birth" them. All this in the "live free or die" state.

God help us.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Scheidegg

Nashua, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:42 PM
From: [michael berounsky](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:20:25 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

HB 246 is just another ploy to confiscate firearms from responsible gun owners, please don't consider moving this bill forward. Thank you

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Louis Dupuis](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 5:19:58 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill this bill, bad news!!!!
Thank you, Louis

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Chris McHugh](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 4:04:26 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

This email serves purpose to make note that I Chris McHugh A US citizen and resident of NH declare this bill is unconstitutional and a violation of our second amendment rights and should be stopped immediately

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Henry Fish](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 2:02:30 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please vote no on HB-246.
Thank you. Henry Fish, 966 High St., Candia N.H.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [Marc Christensen](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:50:42 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee,

Please do not pass HB246, I understand the desire to try to do something about possible misuse of firearms. This is not the way, our civil society is based on due process.

Those who would sacrifice freedom for the sake of security are very likely to end up with neither.

Thanks for your time and service to our great state!

Best regards,

Marc

Marc Christensen
Commander US Navy Retired
Wes Ossipee, NH 03880

Phone 916-765-8993

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: miller.k.e
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:49:01 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Cc: miller.k.e@comcast.net; Chuck Morse; chuck morse; Norman Major; Debra DeSimone; Robert Harb; Peter Torosian; Jason Janvrin
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Hello to my NH State representatives, Rep. Jason Janvrin, (and Senator)

I hope this email finds you well.

I recently became aware of this un-American NH House Bill 246, coming up for a vote on Feb 8th.

Please kill this bill as it can be used to harass gun owners without due process.

It is my belief THAT his type of legislation allows people with a personal grievance to use the Government to take your firearms without due process.

Bottom line --This bill is essentially the foot in the door against our second ammendment rights and I appreciate that you intend to uphold these fundamental rights that you swore to protect and defend.

I am looking forward to your reply, speaking against the bill and your down vote of this bill.

Thank you very much,

Keith Miller
Atkinson
362.2720

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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From: [roger](#)

Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:15:12 PM

To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: House Bill 246

Importance: Normal

Please KILL this unjust bill.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: [Mike Houst](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:04:57 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I'm assuming you know of the subject House Bill 246.

My read is it's ageist, able-ist, and fails the U.S. Constitution's 5th and 14th Amendments concerning due process, in addition to the 2nd, being an infringement on a person's right to keep and bear arms. It also violates NH State Constitution Article 2-a, The Bearing of Arms; Article 15, Right of the Accused; Article 19, Searches and Seizures Regulated; and Article 20, Jury Trial in Civil Causes.

The right to keep and bear arms must never be infringed without due process, even for those whom we might be afraid. Until they act, if they act at all, they have committed no crime, and must be allowed the rights of all citizens. Such rights also protect some of our most vulnerable members of our society, the old and infirm. And due process in these cases must always require as a minimum, the presentation of multiple, overwhelming evidence presented to a jury of that person's peers, and in their full agreement. This power should never be allowed to be exercised by a lone physician, judge, or officer of the law.

Let it also be known that any who fear the possible acts of others have equal right to keep and bear arms in their own defense. Their reluctance or inability to do so should not be bought at the denial of another's rights.

As such, it is your sworn duty to kill this bill.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: [Evo Guy \(Granite Barbell\)](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:02:57 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Greetings,

My name is Jonathan Chaisson. I have lived NH my entire life and have honorably served nearly 13 years in the states Army Nation Guard with multiple tours. I will be very blunt and professional when I say this; we do not need more gun legislation against law abiding citizens and gun owners.

There are well over 10,000 standing active gun laws in the United States of America already. I will make my stance very clear as I have not served my country and fought our rights, liberties, and freedoms just to have the politicians at home be more of a threat to our rights than the enemy in which we fight. The second amendment makes one thing very clear; "Shall not be infringed". These rights are a god given rights to all men, women, and children of this great land at birth. They are not something you can merely pick and choose the limitations of.

I am 100% against MORE pointless and fruitless gun control. What needs to be done is to FIX the system currently in place. Hold agencies accountable for not properly filing paperwork and following procedures on felons or individuals with mental health issues who slip through the cracks. That problem is on the system, YOUR system, not us. How can you possibly try and add more laws when the system in place cant even be followed.

HB 246 is a clear and further violation of every Americans second amendment right and threatens the safety and security of the rest. No other right has been ruthlessly attacked like the second amendment. It is completely unfair and unjust the way law abiding gun owners are treated today.

New Hampshire has the 3rd lowest crime in the country and we continue to become safer and safer every day. Do you really think more gun laws that we don't need are going to accomplish something for the greater good? You all should be focusing on much more concerning issues like covid-19 relief, border security, the heroin epidemic, creating jobs, getting people off of government assistance and continue making New Hampshire a better place. The second amendment will not go away because you or someone doesn't "like guns". Your feelings and emotions do not dictate law, the constitution does. Not infringing on what shall not be infringed and my rights don't end your opinion begins.

Very Respectfully and God Bless,

Jonathan Chaisson

Feel free to reach out to me via email or my personal phone: [603-724-3374](tel:603-724-3374) for further comment.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: [Amy Girard](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:56:23 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill this bill

Amy & Frank Girard
Lempster

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: [Arnold Evans](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:35:51 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please record me as being totally in opposition to the above captioned bill, scheduled to be legislated soon. If for no other reason, it does not allow or require due process and should be killed when introduced !

Respectfully,

Arnold A. Evans, legal resident
Wentworth, NH 03282

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:30 PM
From: [Stupeed'oh](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:40:53 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Greetings,

I am writing to voice my opposition to House Bill 246. I consider this to be a direct violation of constitutional rights and individual liberties, and ask that this bill be disregarded and never again considered. Thank you for your time.

Eric Wunschel
Hampstead, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:43 PM
From: charlestodaro@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:06:55 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

House Bill 246 is nothing more than a veiled excuse to infringe on my 2nd amendment rights. I will monitor whoever votes for it. I will vote against any of those officials who are listed on future ballots in my district in Dover. I will also make aware as many NH residents as I can who are supporters of our 2nd amendment. This bill is a fake 'feel good' excuse for gun control advocates to get their foot in the door. We are not stupid.

Regards
C.T.

Sent from my Sprint Phone.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:26 PM
From: jschmitt88@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:10:56 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please vote down this dangerous sneaky Bill 246 that can easily be used by a judge as a backdoor for confiscation of our guns without any sort of due process.

And besides guns, I'm against government confiscation of ANYTHING without due process, preferably a jury trial of our peers instead of just a ruling from a sometimes kangaroo court judge.

Protecting our elderly and anybody else from physical harm is definitely very important, but it is easily and most efficiently done under our current laws by our local police departments so there is no need for any new draconian laws to protect people from physical violence.

As for other abuses such as financial abuses, they are usually best resolved in the courts as they are usually civil matters.

Thank you.

John Schmitt
31 Green Acres Road
Keene, NH 03431

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:27 PM
From: [Stanley Grodin](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:10:33 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I am greatly concerned that a person's right to self defense can be taken from him / her without a judicial process and legal representation. If a person is deemed unfit and unsafe to own or keep a firearm, let a judge and jury make that decision.

Sincerely,

Stanley G. Grodin
Nashua, NH
stangrodin@comcast.net

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:27 PM
From: robinlewis@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:10:04 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill.

Robin Lewis
232 Long Pond RD
Danville, NH 03819

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:27 PM
From: [Walt Costa](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 11:54:46 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Good Morning,

I ask that you kill this bill. Quoting Rep. Lucy Weber (D-Walpole) "If the law errs on one side or another, I would hope that the law errs on the side of protecting the vulnerable adult and ***possibly overstepping on the rights of their abuser***!" I don't need my Constitutional rights violated for ANY reason!!

R/ Walt Costa
Laconia, NH
(603) 293 6606

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:27 PM
From: Jenness Keller
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 11:53:21 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill.

The stated goal of such a law is “to prevent a person from harming themselves or others.”The law does no such thing! Such laws violate many of our constitutional protections and are fraught with problems: NO NOTICE UNTIL POLICE SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR,PRE-DAWN,WITH GUNS DRAWN – a dangerous situation for everyone involved; YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO CONFISCATION; YOU ARE ASSUMED TO BE DANGEROUS UNTIL YOU PROVE YOU’RE NOT; CONFISCATION IS BASED ON SOMEONE’S WORD- NO PROOF NECESSARY; YOUR ACCUSER IS KEPT SECRET, ALLOWING THEM TO HARASS YOU WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE; YOU LOSE EVEN IF YOU WIN-You WILL spend thousands in legal fees and it could even impact your reputation and employment; YOUR GUNS WILL LIKELY BE DAMAGED OR EVEN POSSIBLY DESTROYED; THERE’S NO PROTECTION FROM REPEATED RED FLAG CONFISCATIONS. As further proof that Red Flag laws are not meant to save lives, but to simply confiscate guns, ask yourself this: “If a person is ‘too dangerous’ to own a gun, then why is that person walking around with the rest of us? Can’t that ‘dangerous’ person still commit suicide or harm others if they have the opportunity?”

Jenness Keller
Hudson NH



Everything should be made as simple as possible but not simpler.

Albert Einstein

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:28 PM
From: [Rene and Fayne](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 11:48:55 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

please kill this bill. we do not need it and it violates our rights.

Rene and Fayne Leclerc
candia, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:28 PM
From: [Edward Wood](#)
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 11:31:28 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee.

I am strongly opposed to HB246. I will infringe on my 2nd amendment rights. PERIOD full stop

Respectfully

Edward Wood
Wilton, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:28 PM
From: [STEWARTPAINTING CO.](#)
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 5:34:25 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill this Bill!

David L. Stewart

394 George Hill Rd., Enfield, NH 03748

[Stewart Painting Co. on Facebook](#)



Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:28 PM
From: [Charlie Moseley](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 5:37:49 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill HB246 once and for all. This seditious attempt to undermine our right to due process is intolerable and unacceptable.

Sincerely Charles Moseley
Kingston, NH.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:29 PM
From: [Lawrence Melanson](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 4:56:52 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

The Honorable Mark Pearson
Chair, House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Dear Representative Pearson and members of the Committee:

On January 26th, the HHSEA Committee heard testimony on HB 246.

Legislative bodies must tread cautiously when enacting laws that would restrict the rights of citizens. Both the US Constitution and the NH Constitution (Article 15) provide for due process. People are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

HB 246 does not provide adequate due process for the “defendant”. The bedrock principal of due process dates back centuries from English law and the Magna Carta. The Fourth and Fifth Amendments of the Constitution are no less important than any of the others. I listened to some Representatives say that this bill is not an attack on gun ownership and does not mention firearms. In fact, the term “firearms” does appear on Page 3, Line 20, although in what would initially seem a benign way.

Unfortunately I had to leave the meeting for a medical appointment and therefore was not able to hear if additional testimony addressed that issue. If enacted into law, this bill would allow action to be taken against a defendant without their prior knowledge a judgement has been rendered. The “Relief”, “Protective Orders” and “Other relief including but not limited to” language in this bill is troubling. It permits courts great leeway in determining what action can be taken against the defendant including confiscation of property. Judges will be pressured to err on the side of caution and said confiscation could include taking away a defendant’s firearms. Now the Second Amendment has been violated. All this without a crime being committed. The corrective process for the defendant in this situation is burdensome and costly.

Legislation with good intentions but poorly written so as to violate someone else’s constitutionally guaranteed rights is bad policy. I respectfully ask that HB 246 be voted out of Committee Inexpedient to Legislate.

Sincerely,
Lawrence Melanson
Webster, NH

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:44 PM
From: jackpotter@reagan.com
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:00:45 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I cannot support HB 246.....

[House Bill 246](#), if enacted, will violate many of your constitutional rights - including your **due process**, your **innocence until proven guilty**, your **second amendment rights**, and your **right to confront your accuser!** In fact, it would allow police to show up at your house, unannounced, to confiscate your firearms!

r/
Jack

Jack Potter & Eva Dunn
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jackpotter@reagan.com

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:29 PM
From: [Eric Anthony](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 4:17:55 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear New Hampshire Legislative Committee,

This bill is vague and unconstitutional, setting a precedent for unnecessarily eroding everyone's individual rights while granting plenary powers to bureaucratic officials, judges and law enforcement over the here hated "defendant" whose right to due process, notice, right to face accusers, present evidence or legal representation is not mentioned in the bill. Meanwhile the contemplated plaintiff is afforded extraordinary protection and financial compensation, (even a non legal "support person" advocate in court!), and the judge may make decisions on his or her whim while ignoring common rules of evidence and with the lowest possible burden of proof; law enforcement and state officials are likewise not held liable in their broad depredations of the defendant's rights and property. The mental state and motives of the accuser may not even be considered. By preemptively demonizing the defendant to such subhuman status by depriving him or her of their liberty, speech, due process, equal protection, search and seizure, property, right to self defense, counsel and other procedural rights under the Constitution, how is this gleeful legal farce of "equal justice under the law" allowed to proceed past your committee?

Eric Anthony (citizen, Auburn NH)

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:29 PM
From: [chris bremer](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 3:39:51 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

KILL THIS BILL. HS 246.

Thank you,

Chris Bremer
Bremer Sales and Marketing
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Cbremer@tds.net

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:29 PM
From: [Dennis Acton](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 3:07:26 PM
To: [larocquenormand5](#); ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Re: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Thank you for your combat service in Vietnam. I will defend your 2nd amendment rights with my votes at the statehouse and with my life if need be. You were willing to do that for me and I will never forget.

Rep. Dennis Acton
Fremont, NH

On Tuesday, January 26, 2021, 1:52 PM, [larocquenormand5](#) <larocquenormand5@gmail.com> wrote:

I wish for you to kill this bill HB 246 I rejected his bill on the grounds that I served three tours in Vietnam for the very freedoms that you are trying to take away traditions and times I spent my children hunting and teaching them how to defend themselves if you take away our firearms you don't only take away our freedoms and our conditions but you weak in this country it's not on Military that makes this country strong it's the millions of gun owners that would stop any would-be invader Americans always volunteer with Fighters and they know that please don't make America weak and don't make those years of Hell fighting for freedom in Vietnam have no meaning I beg of you please

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:29 PM
From: [larocquenormand5](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:53:10 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I wish for you to kill this bill HB 246 I rejected his bill on the grounds that I served three tours in Vietnam for the very freedoms that you are trying to take away traditions and times I spent my children hunting and teaching them how to defend themselves if you take away our firearms you don't only take away our freedoms and our conditions but you weak in this country it's not on Military that makes this country strong it's the millions of gun owners that would stop any would-be invader Americans always volunteer with Fighters and they know that please don't make America weak and don't make those years of Hell fighting for freedom in Vietnam have no meaning I beg of you please

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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From: [Tyson Boyd](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:41:18 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill the bill!

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:30 PM
From: [White Rose](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:55:41 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

As representatives of the citizens of the State of NH it is your duty to follow the constitution. You need to remember that constantly. HB246 infringes on my constitutional rights. Above all is due process. This bill needs to be killed. Not tabled to be brought back again when We the People are not watching. Be assured. We are ever vigilant and are watching to keep you honest and true to our constitution.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:31 PM
From: [My Blueskye](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:53:19 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Hello this is Christine Poire from Gilmanton NH. I am writing this to let the committee know that I OPPOSE the HB246. That will be heard today at 1:45pm. Be aware that you can not write laws that deny humans of their Constitutional Rights. Every human life must be treated with respect and given their due process. Sincerely, Christine Poire.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:31 PM
From: [Linda Moseley](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:42:01 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

The (HB-246) bill needs to be killed. It is clearly in opposition to the due process that our constitution guarantees us.

Thank you Linda Moseley

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:31 PM
From: [Scott Graham](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:16:02 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill this bill

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From: [Steve Frateschi](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:11:06 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Hello, I am reaching out to formally express my opposition to HB 246. This threatens the safety and constitutional rights of every NH citizen, and would set a dangerous precedent. Please kill the bill.

- Steve F

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:44 PM
From: [Glenn Steele](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:52:03 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To my Elected officials. Our wonderful country is going through some very radical changes at this time and we need to stop this attack on our rights as citizens. Please do not pass this gun confirmation bill HB 246 and have our law biding citizens helpless to protect our selves. We need Unity more than ever in the United States now not more division. Thank you for your service to our State and thank you for your time. God Bless America. Glenn Steele. Exeter N.H.

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From: [TOM GRAY](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:09:29 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I am in opposition to this bill. It opens up way too much possibility of abuse. It abuses many rights of the people. Please kill it.
Thomas A Gray Jr
Manchester, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:32 PM
From: [Jeanne](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:03:40 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

NH State Legislature:

Kill House Bill 246.
Protect our constitutional rights.
Protect due process.
Protect innocent until proven guilty.
Protect the second amendment.
Protect the right to confront your accuser.

Thank you.
Jeanne Tofts

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:32 PM
From: [mbconstantianmd](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:33:55 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members:

This bill is not going to accomplish what you wish, and has the enormous potential to create new problems. Who makes the decision of unfitness to own a firearm?

Do any of you take antidepressants? Do any of you have a history of depression in your family? Do any of you drink to excess on occasion? Perhaps you shouldn't own firearms. Do you see the problem?

Gun violence and gun ownership are separate issues. Support the police in combatting in crime and you will solve most gun violence.

Mark B. Constantian, MD
Hollis, NH

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:32 PM
From: [Raymond Klinger](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:54:30 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Good morning,

I am writing to voice my opposition to HB 246. If enacted, it will violate several of my constitutional rights. Please Kill the bill!

Respectfully,

Raymond Klinger

Bath, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:33 PM
From: CHARLES HALL
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:17:09 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee members, this bill must be stopped in its tracks. Kill this bill today.
Thank you.
Charles Hall
Nashua NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [vic cucinotta](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:08:04 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Good afternoon,

I am writing today to ask that you kill house bill 246. It does nothing but hurt law abiding citizens of New Hampshire allowing people to make false claims against someone and having that persons write taken from them without just cause.

Thank you
Victor cucinotta
Londonderry NH

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Richard Russell](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:55:32 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

This proposed bill needs to be stopped. It is not a good bill for any resident of the State of New Hampshire, especially law abiding ones. Please kill this Bill in your committee. Thanks for your time.

Rick Russell
4 Guy Street
Salem, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Thomas Petito](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:30:27 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Members of the New Hampshire House of Representatives Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee,

I respectfully wish to voice my opposition House Bill 246. I believe it is obvious that this proposed legislation clearly violates the 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 14th Amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

Sincerely,
Thomas V. Petito
34 Riverbend Rd.
Bath, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Mr. Gilderdale](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 5:58:00 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Hello,

I am writing to you to request that you Kill house bill 246. This bill does not do anything to protect people. As a law enforcement officer of 19 years I can say that all this bill will do will be to allow the people who know how to work the system to go after people who are innocent. No bill should be put forward it will diminish the rights of people everyone has the rights of due process.

There are already numerous avenues for someone to go to to get protection if they do believe someone who owns firearms is a danger. Those avenues go through avenues of due process. Due process which everyone has the right to.

Thank you,

Michael Gilderdale
Charlestown. New Hampshire

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Robert Rancourt](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 5:11:31 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

You Idiots better think twice about your plan to confiscate, what's wrong with you people?
We the People are so Sick of your Nonsense...

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:44 PM
From: [don mackay](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:50:23 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

NO to house bill 246.

Please. Thank you.

Don MacKAY

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Adam J Santoro](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 4:50:41 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please stop House bill 246. If enacted, it will violate many of our constitutional rights - including due process, innocence until proven guilty, second amendment rights, and right to confront your accuser! In fact, it would allow police to show up at your home, unannounced, to confiscate your firearms! This is a dangerous situation for us and the police!

Thank you!

Adam Santoro
Belmont, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:35 PM
From: [Edward Church](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 2:33:24 AM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I urge the committee to please not allow this bill to become law. If enacted this bill will strip away many of our constitutional rights, such as the right to confront your accuser in court. This bill makes a mockery of our constitution by placing enormous power in the hands of the accuser while stripping the accused of their rights. Please vote against this bill.

Sincerely,

Edward H Church III
20 Hartco Avenue
Lancaster, NH 03584

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:35 PM

From: [Cory](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 11:54:58 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: House Bill 246

Importance: Normal

Hello kill this bill is a understatement it's a clear violation of our constitution
this will just put police in danger there are plenty of people as myself will not give up our firearms
to anyone.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:35 PM
From: [J Rusnak](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 10:27:03 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this Bill. It will take away many of our rights, not the least is due process.
Thank You.
Sincerely,

John Rusnak
P.O. Box 111
Raymond 03077

Sent from my non-descript mobile device.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:35 PM
From: [Carl Spring](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:59:48 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Good Morning.

I am asking that you kill this bill HB 246. It violates the constitution that all of you took a oath to defend and protect.

Thank You

Carl Spring

331 Groton Hollow

Rumney, New Hampshire

03266.

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:36 PM
From: [Bruce MacDonald](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:45:00 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

As a New Hampshire resident I request that HB 246 be voted down and not advanced.

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:36 PM
From: [Jim Phillips](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:41:50 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Members of the Committee,

Please know that I consider the bill in question to be antithetical to the spirit of the US Constitution, and the rights specifically provided by the Bill of Rights.

Kill this bill!

Jim Phillips
Deerfield, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:36 PM

From: [Jim](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:34:14 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: House Bill 246

Importance: Normal

Hello Committee Members,

Please vote no on the above bill which seeks to remove my second amendment rights without due process or redress. The removal of our rights should be a very difficult process involving both parties and the universal belief that one is innocent until proven guilty. I have heard none of this in the present bill and minimal punishment for false accusations. This is not how our rights are preserved.

Thank you,

Jim McKearin

5 Woodburn Dr.

Litchfield, NH 03052

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:36 PM
From: [John C1122](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:03:18 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

You to stop this bill

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:36 PM
From: [NORMA SHARPLES](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:47:14 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I strongly oppose this bill, and am asking you to KILL this bill. Our 2nd Amendment should not be tampered with.
Thank you.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:42 PM
From: [John McAuliffe](#)
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:21:35 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This bill violates my Constitutional rights and serves no purpose under the wise of protecting the elderly.

It does not allow the accused to know who and why they are being targeted. It doesn't allow the accused to face the accuser and doesn't charge a person with a crime

You took your oath and these Bill's violate them 4 different ways.

Dont you dare support this crap, New Hampshire does not have a gun pro. Weve got politicians as the problem trying to fix stuff that's not broke !

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:37 PM

From: Troy

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:41:17 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Subject: House Bill 246

Importance: Normal

Greetings,

My name is Troy Evans and I live in Salem. I'm a 50+ year resident of the state of New Hampshire born and raised. I'm also a proud Marine Corps veteran and 1st & 2nd Amendment supporter.

That said, I'm urging you to kill Bill 246 as it goes against what I believe and I'm fairly certain what most NH residents believe.

Sincerely,

Troy Evans

106 School St

Salem NH 03079

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:37 PM
From: [NORMA SHARPLES](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:09:19 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I am in opposition of this bill and ask that you KILL this bill. Our 2nd amendment should not be played with, period.
Thank you.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:38 PM
From: johnlindam@metrocast.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:54:01 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

kill this bill

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:38 PM
From: [Dave](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:37:30 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

If you want to amend the Bill of Rights there is process for it. In the meantime, stop this irresponsible wasting of the time and money of your constituents trying to enact clearly unconstitutional legislation!!
David Barnes
Exeter, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:38 PM
From: capt.norm@metrocast.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:30:17 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill This Bill

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:38 PM
From: [KEITH Mistretta](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:20:50 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Regarding HB 246, Please Kill the Bill.

Thank you.

Keith Mistretta
Dover NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: [KEITH Mistretta](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:18:21 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

To Whom It May Concern:

I respectfully and strongly express my opposition to HB 246 as this bill, if passed, would do the following:

- Deprive accused citizens the lack of due process
- Would make law-abiding citizens guilty until proven innocent
- Provide no rights for the accused to confront the accuser
- Last, but certainly not least, provide a way to confiscate guns from innocent citizens

In the US, we cherish and live by our Constitution which includes the 2nd Amendment. In the NH Constitution, we have Article 2.(a) which we take literally and seriously. Please respect the law and oppose HB 246.

Thank you.

Keith Mistretta
Dover NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: thewayabc@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:15:03 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

This bill does not belong in New Hampshire ! This is against one's constitutional

rights - it assumes guilt without proof - anyone could make a false report -

it is dangerous for the public, the law enforcement and the innocent gun owner.

Please remove or kill this bill !

Thank you,

David S. Wayman

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: [Aaron Penkacik](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:14:08 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

As a law-abiding resident of our great state of New Hampshire, I am both opposed to and appalled at the subject bill. We have a state and federal Constitution. Why are we not following it? Exparte actions as provided for in this bill violate numerous provisions of both. And the language in the bill is vague enough and wrong enough to make it unconstitutional on many levels.

Two examples include the word "may" in what can be confiscated with no due process, and the word "defendant" used throughout the bill when the subject of the risk protection order is not accused of a crime. There should be a specific list of what can be confiscated exparte and why, and the word "defendant" should be changed to subject. The subject is not accused or charged with any crime. Words mean things, and this bill is either poorly written or written with ill intent.

I urge you to find this bill as written as ITL. The people of NH deserve better than this.

Aaron Penkacik
Hollis, NH
603 566 1550

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: [SCOTT SMITH](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:04:22 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members-

I urge that HB 246 be stopped and voted inexpedient to legislate. HB 246 is blatantly unconstitutional and anti-freedom, having been vetoed twice already.

In Liberty,

Scott H. Smith
84 Branch Tpke Unit 98
Concord, NH 03301-5784

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:42 PM
From: Charles Chapin
Sent: Monday, February 1, 2021 6:17:25 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

Please oppose HB246, ***the Elder Abuse GUN CONFISCATION Bill***

This type of legislation will allow someone with a personal grievance to use the State government to confiscate a person's firearms (personal protection) without due process of the law.

And in these times, with so much open animosity, people are going to be falsely accused.

Thank you for your time.

Charles Chapin

Alexandria

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: [Thomas Sauser](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:58:21 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please maintain our constitutional rights in New Hampshire and vote no to kill HB-246. Embrace the Second Amendment. Support due process. Reaffirm innocent until proven guilty. Maintain the right to confront our accuser.

Make a constructive difference; practice liberty and free markets,

Thomas J Sauser
tsauser1@icloud.com

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:39 PM
From: [John Tatone](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:53:55 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill.

John Tatone
488 Sunset Hill Road
Sugar Hill, NH 03586
jtcd@myfairpoint.net

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From: [Gary Haines](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:52:44 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill the bill. it goes against our constitution.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:40 PM
From: angus77@myfairpoint.net
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:32:35 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Didn't we kill this last year.
are we becoming a Comunnist state like the one just south of us, the place i left because of bull
like this.
if you have objection to Firearms by all means move away from this state.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:40 PM
From: [Regena Elliott](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:16:08 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

This bill must be killed once again. The bill violates our constitutional rights, including the second amendment rights. Please vote no to this bill. I am a registered voter in the town of Dummer, NH. Thank you.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:40 PM
From: [Brian Emerson](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:08:48 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to you as a life-long New Hampshire resident of 57 years. I urge you to please kill HB246 as it clearly would allow the violation of a number of our Constitutional rights. New Hampshire has long been known for very low crime rate and nearly-non-existent gun violence. HB246 would present a back-door approach to illegal gun confiscation when such action flies in the face of our Constitutionally protected rights. Facts and data show that New Hampshire is one of, if not THE safest state in the country and the last thing that we need is unnecessary legislation to address a problem that doesn't exist to the extent that the entire population of our state needs to be punished with unwelcome (and likely ineffective) legislation. To inflict additional regulatory controls on our residents without statistical data that clearly shows a great need is just plain unnecessary and, quite frankly, irresponsible on the part of those who we have elected to represent us.

I respectfully ask that you kill HB246.

Brian Emerson
Groveton, NH

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:41 PM
From: [Michael Vermette](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:52:51 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

PLEASE KILL THIS BILL!!

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:41 PM
From: [Mark Smith](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:48:52 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Members of the Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee :

I ask you to kill House Bill 246.

Like other "Red Flag" laws House Bill 245 will violate constitutional rights including: due process, innocence until proven guilty, the second amendment rights, and the right to confront your accuser. It creates dangerous situations by allowing the police to show up at your house, unannounced, to confiscate your firearms. Law abiding citizens have already died, in other states, as a result of these unwarranted seizure actions. In addition, implementation of these laws in other states have shown that the vast majority of these cases prove to be without merit, causing innocent citizens thousands of dollars in legal fees to prove what the law already is supposed to assume, they are innocent until PROVEN guilty, not just accused of guilt..

There are already laws on the books to deal with a person who is a potential harm to themselves or others that do not have these constitutional right issues and provide more discretion for judges to provide the assistance that a person in these circumstances might require.

House Bill 246 is an attack on the 2nd Amendment. It targets firearms and provides no consideration for any other methods of causing harm. Do you believe a person in a state of mind capable of shooting someone is incapable of stabbing them with a steak knife? Do not be deceived by proponents of this bill talking about "safety." If their interest was in providing safety to the citizens of NH, they would be promoting a very different bill. Their goal is to delegitimize firearms ownership in opposition to the proud tradition of freedom, liberty and civil rights of the United States and our proud state of New Hampshire.

This tradition of freedom and liberty, based on the trust in the citizens of New Hampshire, provides us with one of the safest states in the union. Let us not chase after states who lack our proud history, instead let us continue to forge our own path of freedom and liberty and be the beacon for them to follow.

Mark Smith
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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:41 PM
From: [George Read](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:48:36 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please do not pass any bill to take our second amendment rights if it's done, the convicted felons dont follow the laws liberal left lost there mind taking our right to to even speck out now freedom speech in peril , next be right defend ourselves. That why antifa use no firearms. Police now refuse to even prosecute them. Trust you under stand this fear.

Thanks for listening

George

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:41 PM
From: [David Bergquist](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:35:58 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please KILL THIS BILL.

Sincerely,
John D. Bergquist
NH Resident

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:42 PM
From: lotztkg@metrocast.net
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 7:04:50 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

As a concerned citizen, I urge you to oppose HB246. This bill does not balance the rights of the accuser with the rights of the accused. Our legal system is based on the concept of innocent until proven guilty and this bill does not even come close to supporting that ideal. I am certainly opposed to the abuse of any human being by another human being, but this bill will not solve that problem.

Thank you.

Thomas Lotz

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:42 PM
From: [Alan Short](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:23:23 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill this bill, please

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:42 PM
From: [Rainman](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:17:42 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

[House Bill 246](#), if enacted, will violate many of your constitutional rights - including our **due process**, our **innocence until proven guilty**, our **second amendment rights**, and our **right to confront your accuser. Please defeat this bill.**

Brendan Rainville
Plaistow, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:42 PM
From: [Brian Martel](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:13:17 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill this bill. This bill and anything remotely close to it. There are already more than 25,000 laws across the country that restrict our rights. Bills do not stop drugs or other illegal activity. They only restrict law abiding citizens of their rights.

If enacted, will violate many of your constitutional rights - including your **due process**, your **innocence until proven guilty**, your **second amendment rights**, and your **right to confront your accuser!** In fact, it would allow police to show up at your house, unannounced, to confiscate your firearms! This is a dangerous situation for *you* and *the police!*

Brian Martel
82A Fairgrounds Rd, Bradford, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:42 PM
From: [Anne Cartwright](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:12:12 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill HB246

It is unconstitutional without due process. Anyone could make false accusations against any gun owner without need to prove the accusation.

Respectfully,
Anne Cartwright

“The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.”
— Edmund Burke

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:43 PM
From: [Bill](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:10:44 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

This is beyond the pale; please kill this legislation immediately and permanently to prevent a whole universe of negative repercussions.

We still have a NH Constitution, and the US Constitution, and The Bill of Rights, and you will violate it at the peril of our safety and well-being as a State, and as a people. Not to mention possible society-wide consequences if the Rights of so many citizens are knowingly violated.

Thank you for your attention,

William N Fish
269 Marlow Hill Road
Marlow NH 03456

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:43 PM
From: [peter smith](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:07:46 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

I urge the committee to KILL this bill which would severely undermine the protections our Constitution provides to it's citizens. There are currently plenty of laws concerning firearms, they simply need to BE ENFORCED in a more aggressive manner against the non-law abiding segment of our society.

Sincerely,
Peter W Smith
Rumney, NH

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:43 PM
From: [Jeff Medeiros](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:06:30 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Dear members of the NH House , please kill this bill, it serves no purpose except to harass legal firearms possession. It also violates several constitutional provisions. Respectfully DR Jeffrey Medeiros of Gilmanon, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:44 PM
From: pyro@grolen.com
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:00:31 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

As a registered voter and long time resident of NH, I urge you to oppose HB246 'Red Flag Law'
Americans are intentionally not being told of the serious constitutional and practical problems with Red Flag laws.
This type of legislation allows people with a personal grievance to use the Government to take your firearms without due process. It must be stopped!
Thank you for listening.
Chris

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:44 PM
From: [Patrick Lozito](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:57:11 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern:

I respectfully request and urge that this Bill 246
be rejected and killed in committee in its entirety.

Best Regards,
Patrick Lozito
52 High Street
Claremont NH 03743
603 542 5306

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Paul Doucett](#)
Sent: Tuesday, February 2, 2021 3:55:42 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Kill it. Please and thanks. Millions of law abiding gun owners are watching.

Thanks!

Paul Doucett
71 Liberty Lane
Barrington, NH 03825

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM

From: [Bill](#)

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 3:40:44 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Please stop this unconstitutional bill.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:56 PM
From: FIRC NH
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:10:15 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: ITL HB246
Importance: Normal

HB246 should be voted inexpedient to legislate. This bill does nothing to protect the citizens of New Hampshire, and New Hampshire already has laws and procedures in place to legally, and through the courts, prohibit someone from possessing firearms.

Gun control laws do nothing to stop criminals and other bad actors. Criminals and those intending to commit criminal acts do not follow the laws in the first place, and the State and federal government rarely prosecute people who intentionally try and circumvent our current laws.

All bills like this do is to punish law citizens, at the mere accusation of wrongdoing, without giving them proper due process in the courts.

• As I always do in my correspondence to New Hampshire s, I offer *free** training to any legislature on firearm safety and how their proposed laws would impact law abiding New Hampshire citizens. I teach courses at Pioneer Sportsmen, just outside of Concord, NH.

* All I would as would be to reimbursed for the the cost of the course material/range usage.

Thank you for your time.

Very Respectfully,

Kevin Miller

USCCA & NRA

Certified Firearms Safety Instructor

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Warren C Prouty](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 6:35:00 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Kill HB-246 Unconstitutional
Importance: Normal

As a voting NH resident I strongly urge the committee to kill HB-246. This Bill is unconstitutional because it eliminates due process, making citizens guilty from the beginning. I am a strong 2nd amendment supporter and this HB-246 is wrong for New Hampshire.

Thank you.

Warren Prouty

17 Opal Drive, Danville, NH

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [KP](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:58:26 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Kill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please stand by the elderly and others in this state and stop the back door confiscation of our second amendment guarantee to be able to protect ourselves and our homes.
In the US today if someone wants what you have life to them is not important we need the means to stop this and to protect ourselves.
Also this bill allows for anyone to go after you if they have a vendetta against you or wish to break you for personal or political reasons and today this is real.
This will also constitute a record on you and stop you from being able to have firearms and will show up on any applications for work, and etc.
An undue burden will be imposed financially on you to get your possessions back if you are innocent.
This goes back to a vendetta or whatever that someone has for you and yours.
You are automatically guilty with no cause or proof just someone saying there is a problem that will trigger this confiscation.
The arguments for this bill are just a step closer to Socialism, Communism, and Nazism, due to history not being a priority in our educational system these days this is also a reality.

Please Kill Bill – HB246
Sincerely
Kenneth Pitkin
Fremont, N.H.

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:23 PM
From: ryenh@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, February 5, 2021 8:47:20 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Kill this Bill (HB-246)
Importance: Normal

Dear Legislators,

I am writing to you to respectfully request that you OPPOSE HB-246.
This is nothing more than an unlawful gun grab from law abiding citizens. It also, Violates the 2nd, 4th and 14th amendments of the US Constitution.
Thank you all for your service to our great state.

Sincerely,
Stephen C. Pyne
Rye, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: reprennycushing@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 2, 2021 8:57:17 PM
To: Cheryl Steinberg
Cc: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs; Mark Pearson
Subject: Re: Letter in Support of HB 246
Importance: Normal

Thank you so much Cheryl for putting this together. I am so sorry that current lot of legislators included so many people who are not interest in truth, or compassion, and just blindly regurgitate whatever lies a 2A group tells them.

It's just not fair.

Renny

Rep. Renny Cushing

Sent from my iPhone

Please excuse any spelling, grammatical, and/or typographical errors. Fat thumbs and failing eyesight are constant chronic challenges to my efforts at effective email communication on a hand-held electronic device.

On Feb 2, 2021, at 6:19 PM, Cheryl Steinberg <csteinberg@nhla.org> wrote:

Dear Chairman Pearson and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to discuss HB 246 at last week's hearing. Attached is a letter explaining the bill in details and my reasons for supporting it. And because there has been so much misinformation disseminated about the bill, I have also included a fact sheet to clarify some of these inaccuracies.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions about the bill or my letter.

Regards, Cheryl Steinberg

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From: Tom
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:10:41 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: NO on HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee Members:

Vote no on HB246, it is a bad bill and wrong for the people of New Hampshire.

House Bill 246, if enacted, will violate many of our constitutional rights - including due process, our innocence until proven guilty, our second amendment rights, and our right to confront your accuser!\

Tom Faska
Brookline, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: JC
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 2:53:23 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: OPPOSE HB246
Importance: Normal

Committee Members,

Please oppose, again, the Elder Care bill with "Red Flag" firearms confiscation. Last year it was defeated as HB696, this year it's back again as HB246.

It specifies warrantless search and seizure, ex-parte hearings, and denial of the right to confront one's accuser - obvious abridgements of our Second (New Hampshire and 2-a), Fourth (New Hampshire Article 19), Fifth (New Hampshire Article 19), and Fourteenth Amendment rights WITHOUT due process.

Ex-parte hearings must never be allowed. The accused is entitled to participate in any hearing that could impair his civil rights.

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From: [Jason MacDonald](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:48:43 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: OPPOSE HB-246
Importance: Normal

Dear Representatives,

Please kill HB-246, the gun confiscation bill. Too many stories of innocent people being murdered and losing rights (and children) due to police mistakes make this type of behavior unsafe for both the public and law enforcement.

Thank you.

Jason MacDonald
86 Chase Rd
South Hampton

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:53 PM
From: [martin421](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:05:55 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: OPPOSITION to Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Want to express my opposition to this bill as it is dangerous and unlikely to help anything, as well as unconstitutional. Thank you.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Lucy McVitty Weber](#)
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 9:12:31 PM
To: [Mark Pearson](#); [Lindsay Forcier](#); [William Marsh](#); [Gary Merchant](#); [Gary Merchant](#)
Subject: Re: Pharmacy bills and exec. session week of February 15
Importance: Normal

So we are clear that we are NOT meeting Monday or Friday that week?
As always, I appreciate you passing along the information that you have.

Lucy

Rep. Lucy McVitty Weber
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lwmcv@comcast.net

From: "Canon Mark A. Pearson" <canonpearson@yahoo.com>
Date: Sunday, January 31, 2021 at 5:25 PM
To: [Lindsay Forcier](mailto:lindsay.forcier@leg.state.nh.us) <lindsay.forcier@leg.state.nh.us>, [Mark Pearson](mailto:canonpearson@yahoo.com) <canonpearson@yahoo.com>, [William Marsh](mailto:wmarshmd@gmail.com) <wmarshmd@gmail.com>, [Gary Merchant](mailto:gary.merchant@leg.state.nh.us) <gary.merchant@leg.state.nh.us>, [Gary Merchant](mailto:g.merchant@yahoo.com) <g.merchant@yahoo.com>, [Lucy Weber](mailto:lwmcv@comcast.net) <lwmcv@comcast.net>
Subject: Pharmacy bills and exec. session week of February 15

Good afternoon,

To: [Lindsay Forcier](mailto:lindsay.forcier@leg.state.nh.us), [Rep. Marsh](mailto:wmarshmd@gmail.com), [Rep. Merchant](mailto:g.merchant@yahoo.com), [Rep. Weber](mailto:lwmcv@comcast.net),
From: [Rep. Pearson](mailto:canonpearson@yahoo.com)
In re: bills and exec session the week of February 15

HHS&EA committee on either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, February 16, 17, 18. I have not been given the date but it must be at least one of these because all second committee bills must be done by the 18th.

If we are given two dates that week, the following is for the earlier of them. So, Lindsay, for the calendar, please:

9:00 am hb 572
9:30 am hb 479
10:15 am hb 582
11:00 am hb 143

1:00 executive session for the following bills,
187, 246, 314, 600, 604.

Please note, all the morning bills have to do with prescriptions, pharmacy matters, etc. ll but hb 582 are prime sponsored by our own Re. Merchant. Putting them all together means people interested in this subject can block off one morning, rather than having to come back on various days.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM
From: rons21@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 10:17:29 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

dear law makers , i am senior and a navy veteran who is against this gun confiscation bill hb246
please do not let this foolish bill pass

than you RONALD STEVENS ALTON NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Sign Pro](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 6:20:00 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Please OPPOSE HB246 - the Elder Abuse GUN CONFISCATION Bill
Importance: Normal

Please OPPOSE HB246 - the Elder Abuse GUN CONFISCATION Bill
for the following reasons.

NO NOTICE UNTIL POLICE SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR,PRE-DAWN,WITH GUNS DRAWN – a dangerous situation for everyone involved;

YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO CONFISCATION;

YOU ARE ASSUMED TO BE DANGEROUS UNTIL YOU PROVE YOU'RE NOT;

CONFISCATION IS BASED ON SOMEONE'S WORD-NO PROOF NECESSARY;

YOUR ACCUSER IS KEPT SECRET, ALLOWING THEM TO HARASS YOU WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE; YOU LOSE EVEN IF YOU WIN-You WILL spend thousands in legal fees and it could even impact your reputation and employment;

YOUR GUNS WILL LIKELY BE DAMAGED OR EVEN POSSIBLY DESTROYED; THERE'S NO PROTECTION FROM REPEATED RED FLAG CONFISCATIONS

Thank you,

Jerome Holden

Wolfeboro

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: Worsman
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:24:39 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Red Flag Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Good afternoon committee members,

I ask you to please kill HB246 Red Flag Confiscation Bill. As you know if enacted, this will violate many of my constitutional rights - including my due process, my innocence until proven guilty, my second amendment rights, and my right to confront your accuser!

This is definitely a dangerous bill and sets a terrible precedence.
Thank you.

Sincerely

Colette Worsman

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While Glenn and I have experienced every parents greatest tragedy on September 18th, losing our 32 year old son in a tragic accident, we know God is good and in charge. We know he is with our savior. Since we don't know when we will be called home, now is the time to decide where you will spend eternity. "If you declare with your mouth "Jesus is Lord" and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" NIV Rom 10:9

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:54 PM
From: [Giovanni Cintolo](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:11:29 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Reject HB246
Importance: Normal

To all members of this committee,

I urge you to reject HB246. New Hampshire legislation has long respected it's citizens' right to keep and bear arms. It has also consistently ranked as one of the safest places to call home in our union. HB246 will legislate away the rights of the citizens of this great state in an effort to solve a problem that does not exist. Due process is thrown out the window on what could be here say, or a false accusation. This places both the citizens and the law enforcement officers Involved in a possible confiscation in a dangerous and unnecessary situation.

Furthermore, it places an undue financial burden on my fellow citizens to restore an unalienable right that should not have been revoked in the first place. Legal defense and time out of work quickly accumulate debt. For our citizens with lesser financial means, this may be completely out of reach.

Reject this bill for what it is; unconstitutional and inconsistent with the values of our great state.

Giovanni Cintolo
31 Harriman Hill Rd
Raymond NH 03077

Please excuse typos, sent from my mobile device.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:28 PM

From: [Timothy Horrigan](#)

Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:22:53 PM

To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: remarks in favor of HB 246, AN ACT establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.

Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members:

I joined the Zoom audience today, Tuesday, January 26, 2021, for the hearing on HB 246, "AN ACT establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults." I considered testifying, but I am not a cosponsor & you heard plenty of testimony already. I would be happy to have my comments included in the bill file, if possible. I probably will not attempt to speak at the continued hearing, even if the rules allow.

You were visited by several of the leading pro-gun lobbyists. Actually, I should say "pro-gun advocates." Rep. Burt obviously is not a lobbyist, and at least one of the other advocates you heard from today is (supposedly) for technical reasons not a lobbyist, since he is not specifically paid for his advocacy, even though for many years he has headed a anti-gun-safety advocacy group and he has testified against dozens (maybe hundreds) of gun-safety bills dating back to the early 2000's.

The pro-gunners' basic point about HB 246 is actually at least somewhat accurate (unlike many of their claims.) If the court finds, by a preponderance of the evidence (which is a very high standard) that the defendant is abusing a vulnerable adult, then that defendant could theoretically be barred from having firearm (the way I read the bill.) Certainly, the defendant will get in even more trouble if he or she threatens the vulnerable adult with a firearm.

I would advise the committee not to waste any time trying to reach a compromise with the anti-gun-safety crowd. These pro-gun advocates are not interested in compromise (unless possibly if you put in language explicitly allowing defendants to keep carrying guns even after they lose in court, but that would make a mockery of this bill.) In fact, the pro-gun crowd are not interested in anything besides their guns. Guns are relevant to your committee, but only because gun violence is a major health issue. I recommend leaving gun-related issues to the Criminal Justice Committee.

I would like to mention the flip side of the issue which inspired HB 246. Guns and other weapons are popular targets of thieves, including those thieves who use emotional and financial abuse rather than brute force to steal. I saw this in my own family: I had an uncle who lived in a small town in Grafton County. He was exploited by more than a few of his many so-called "friends," who ripped him off in a wide variety of ways— including stealing his guns and antique swords. My uncle was by no means a gun nut, and he would never have deliberately aimed a gun at another human being. But, he was a retired military officer and he enjoyed shooting sports and he also enjoyed collecting just about anything which can be collected, guns included. For over 20 years (before and after my uncle's death in 1996 at the age of 90) my late father and my sister and other family members worked many long hours

trying to make order out of the financial chaos he left behind. This included trying to figure out what happened to his guns. HB 246, if passed as is, will protect many vulnerable adults from having their guns and other weapons stolen by people they mistakenly trusted.

Thanks,

Rep. Timothy Horrigan (Strafford 6)

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM
From: [Dan Leon](#)
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2021 12:42:40 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: why we are against Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Hi

The police already have the tools they need at their disposal to remove a dangerous person or dangerous weapons from a person who is intent on doing harm to someone or themselves.

HB246 does not provide an “alleged” dangerous person with the rights necessary to refute the allegations **before** personal property is taken by the police.

HB246 can be used by unknown individuals to cause problems for someone **who has not done anything illegal other than post something on social media that the accuser does not agree with**

Thank you
Dan & Carol Leonard
1234 Union Street
Manchester, NH 03104

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM

From: Juidas Wulf

Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:41:22 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Importance: Normal

I Norman opposed this bill hb246 kill the bill there is a ton of research and data studies on gun crime and it shows that a very low percentage of all gun crime is committed by legal gun owners and this bill is targeting the wrong people I implore you to rethink this bill you're attacking the law abiding citizens not the criminals that acquire their firearms through illegal means research by Pittsburgh University in Pittsburgh Police show that almost 900 firearm crimes over 80% of them are committed by illegal gun owners Dr Daniel Webster director of John Hopkins center for gun policy and research in 13 states with the fewest restrictions of gun ownership 40% of the inmates admit to obtaining guns illegally 13% by from gun shows pawn shops places without background checks which should be changed any other 37 States including New York City New York State over 65% of inmates obtain guns through illegal means 48% of State inmates say they got guns through means with no background checks such as gun shows pawn shops friends family another 40% inmates admit they stole them got them from Black market drug dealers the US Representative John faso States the vast majority of gun crime committed by people illegally obtained firearms studies of the University of Chicago professor Philip cook 2015 says a low percentage of gun crimes were obtained by legal means cook says the data supports John foso's statements of how this legislation is attacking the wrong people legal gun owners law abiding citizens they should be going after the criminals who obtained their firearms unlawfully not the people that are just trying to defend their family and provide for their family please kill this bill many studies show that a tiny percentage of all gun crimes are committed by legal gun owners take that into consideration please thank you

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM

From: davidbrown0123@localnet.com

Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 2:32:07 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Subject: [CAUTION: SUSPECT SENDER] Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

Please consider my following statement.

Representative Lucy Weber (D-Walpole)

What you have made clear is that the accused person is guilty until proven innocent and that this same person, being merely accused is justification to cause undue harm to the dignity, morality and financial well being of any person subjected to this form of witch hunt. Either you don't know history or your on the side of those who would destroy humanity....but clearly, you do not understand the foundational principals of the Constitutional oath you have sworn to uphold. Please Resign.

David M Brown
Sunapee 03782

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM

From: davidbrown0123@localnet.com

Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 2:37:13 PM

To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Subject: [CAUTION: SUSPECT SENDER] House Bill 246 Kill this Bill

Importance: Normal

Dear House Members,

Please consider this message to: Representative Lucy Weber
(D-Walpole) Bill 246

What you have made clear is that the accused person is guilty until proven innocent and that this same person, being merely accused is justification to cause undue harm to the dignity, morality and financial well being of any person subjected to this form of witch hunt. Either you don't know history or your on the side of those who would destroy humanity....but clearly, you do not understand the foundational principals of the Constitutional oath you have sworn to uphold. Please Resign.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:30 PM
From: [William Hayden](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:19:23 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: [CAUTION: SUSPECT SENDER] House Bill 246
Importance: Normal

Please kill that bill.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:23 PM
From: [chris](#)
Sent: Sunday, February 21, 2021 7:42:57 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This bill is House Bill 246, if enacted, will violate many of your constitutional rights – including your **due process**, your **innocence until proven guilty**, your **second amendment rights**, and your **right to confront your accuser!** In fact, it would allow police to show up at your house, unannounced, to confiscate your firearms! This is a dangerous situation for *you* and *the police!* **The bottom line** is this type of legislation allows people with a personal grievance to use the Government to take your firearms without due process. **It must be stopped!**

We do not think this is helpful in any way.

We believe this is more harmful than helpful

NO NOTICE UNTIL POLICE SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR, PRE-DAWN, WITH GUNS DRAWN – a dangerous situation for everyone involved;

YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO CONFISCATION;

YOU ARE ASSUMED TO BE DANGEROUS UNTIL YOU PROVE YOU'RE NOT;

CONFISCATION IS BASED ON SOMEONE'S WORD-NO PROOF NECESSARY;

YOUR ACCUSER IS KEPT SECRET, ALLOWING THEM TO HARASS YOU WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE;

YOU LOSE EVEN IF YOU WIN-You WILL spend thousands in legal fees and it could even impact your reputation and employment;

YOUR GUNS WILL LIKELY BE DAMAGED OR EVEN POSSIBLY DESTROYED; THERE'S NO PROTECTION FROM REPEATED RED FLAG CONFISCATIONS.

As further proof that Red Flag laws are not meant to save lives, but to simply confiscate guns, ask yourself this: "If a person is 'too dangerous' to own a gun, then why is that person walking around with the rest of us? Can't that 'dangerous' person still commit suicide or harm others if they have the opportunity?"

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM
From: [Darlene Ligon](#)
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 5:05:21 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Vote No on bill HB246

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:38 PM

From: [Jeri Zezula](#)

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:50:59 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Cc: [Jennifer Eber](#)

Subject: Governor's Commission on the Humane Treatment of Animals: Opinion HB 246

Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members,

The Commission voted on January 25, 2021 to Support HB 246 establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults. Pets are precious companions to the elderly and need to be protected from abuse.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Eber and Jerilee Zezula
Co-chairs

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:23 PM
From: [John McAuliffe](#)
Sent: Friday, February 5, 2021 11:36:27 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I remind you committee that you took an oath of office.

I remind you that the bill of rights will be affected by this draconian piece of legislation! To wit, article 2 of our Bill of Rights says " the right of the PEOPLE to keep and bear arms SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED. Article 4 protects the people to" be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, Against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue...

And article 6 " and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation : to be CONFRONTED WITH THE WITNESSES AGAINST HIM ;

This HB 246 violates the afore mentioned articles of our Bill of Rights, serves no protection against the elderly any more than paper restraining orders.

You really want a gun law that works and that I think alot of people would support ? How about the State of New Hampshire legislate a gun law that states anyone convicted of any crime while in the commitment of a crime can and will receive the DEATH PENALTY if found guilty of such crimes. The sentence to be carried out immediately after said trial and conviction.

Death by firing squad .

Stop making excuses for grown adults behavior and bad decisions after all we voted to murder the unborn children of this state.

You all will be in violation of your oaths of office if you pass this crap.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:24 PM
From: [Michael Meeks](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 3:19:58 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Good afternoon,

I am writing to ask that this committee please vote HB 246 inexpedient to legislate. While HB 246 may attempt to provide legal protections for the elderly, it is a gun confiscation bill that can and will violate the rights of lawful gun owners.

HB 246 is similar to other bills that have been considered and rejected in recent years. These bills all violate Second, Fourth, Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment rights. Guilty until proven innocent is not the American way.

If the sponsors really wish to protect the elderly and vulnerable, they would recognize that New Hampshire already has ample laws to do that.

Examples would include:

- * R.S.A. 631:8 -- Criminal Neglect of Elderly, Disabled, or Impaired Adults;
- * R.S.A. 631:9 -- Financial Exploitation of an Elderly, Disabled, or Impaired Adult, and;
- * R.S.A. 631:10, which provides that those who financially exploit those vulnerable members of society can be convicted of at the least a misdemeanor and, at worst, if the exploitation is \$1500 or more, a Class A Felony.

What the sponsors really want with this proposed legislation, is a back door gun control infringement on law abiding citizens' Second Amendment rights. There is no hiding the fact that this is an outright attack on the Second Amendment and lawful gun ownership in the Granite State.

We've been here before and the response is still the same. Unconstitutional, red flag, gun confiscation laws are not welcome or needed in New Hampshire. It is time for our legislators to end the ulterior political games and start writing legislation that is fair and impartial for all.

Vote HB 246 inexpedient to legislate.

Thank you,

Michael D. Meeks

752 Center Road
Cornish, NH 03745

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Mobile: 603-477-0862

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:25 PM
From: [James McConnell](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 11:24:30 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please ITL HB 246. This bill is a slightly cleaned up version of the flawed bill we've seen before.

Jim McConnell
42 Monadnock Highway
North Swanzey, NH 03431

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:31 PM
From: [Raymond Bilodeau](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:15:21 AM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear committee members;

It is my opine that Red Flag laws, also called Gun Violence Restraining Orders and Extreme Risk Protection Orders, are gun-confiscation laws disguised as “gun-violence prevention” laws that are being pushed hard at both the state and federal levels.

The stated goal of such a law is “to prevent a person from harming themselves or others.” The law does no such thing! Such laws violate many of our constitutional protections and are fraught with problems:

* NO NOTICE UNTIL POLICE SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR, PRE-DAWN, WITH

GUNS DRAWN – a dangerous situation for everyone involved;

*This Bill (246) will take away my RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO CONFISCATION;

*YOU ARE ASSUMED TO BE DANGEROUS UNTIL YOU PROVE YOU'RE NOT; *CONFISCATION IS BASED ON SOMEONE'S WORD-NO PROOF NECESSARY; *YOUR ACCUSER IS KEPT SECRET, ALLOWING THEM TO HARASS YOU WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE;

*YOU LOSE EVEN IF YOU WIN-You WILL spend thousands in legal fees and it

could even impact your reputation and employment;

***YOUR GUNS WILL LIKELY BE DAMAGED OR EVEN POSSIBLY DESTROYED; *THERE'S NO PROTECTION FROM REPEATED RED FLAG CONFISCATIONS.**

As further proof that Red Flag laws are not meant to save lives, but to simply confiscate guns, ask yourself this: "If a person is 'too dangerous' to own a gun, then why is that person walking around with the rest of us? Can't that 'dangerous' person still commit suicide or harm others if they have the opportunity?"

Thank you for considering on stopping this bill based on the info I submitted.

Ray Bilodeau
146 Martha Terrace
Portsmouth NH 03801

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM
From: [James BLONDIN](#)
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2021 7:05:58 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please vote no on HB246

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM
From: [Brent Marinelli](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 8:53:20 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am writing to inform you that any law that violates an individual's inalienable rights, without due process, is not only repugnant but also a federal crime. HB246 ,as written, is a proposal to do just that.

It is sad that our leaders cannot develop laws that achieve increasing public safety while at the same time protecting the rights of people.

Obviously a person who is mentally ill or violent should not be in possession of guns. By clearly describing the due process for enforcing and in cases where an error has taken place, for whatever reason, repealed, safety bills such as these would face far less opposition.

Respectfully,

Brent Marinelli

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:43 PM
From: docrock@metrocast.net
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 4:11:13 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To Whomever This Concerns,
How can we allow legislators to overstep their bounds to take away a NH residents 2nd amendments rights? Why do our lawmakers continue to bow down to outside interests and outside money that pushes someone else's agenda? You are elected to represent our interests and our way of life. I ask that you don't allow this law to pass. We are still the Live Free or Die state are we not?

Lifelong NH Resident,
Lifelong NH Voter,
Live Free or Die,
Rod Gosselin
docrock@metrocast.net

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM
From: Dale Earl
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 3:02:14 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am writing today to ask for your help in killing this misguided bill. This bill will do little to help the elderly and opens the opportunity for great misuse and trampling of our constitutional rights. The rights of due process are in place specifically to protect both parties in a dispute. To bypass that will risk forfeiting all the rest of our rights.

Regards,
Dale Earl
Hudson, NH 03051

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM

From: [Mike](#)

Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 2:41:31 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

I urge you, in the strongest terms possible, to defeat this unconstitutional, unfair, unholy bill. Pretend that you have an axe to split firewood and your neighbor, who dislikes you, decides to report you as "dangerous". There is no difference between the axe and a gun or a baseball bat for that matter. This bill is just one step towards confiscating firearms, legally owned. Stop this nonsense and spend your time on needed legislation!

Mike Hall
Kingston, NH

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM
From: [Edward Wood](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 2:25:46 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committe.

Please to not approve this bill. I see it as infringing on my first amendment rights PERIOD full stop!

Edward Wood
Wilton, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM
From: [MARC-COUTURE MARC-COUTURE](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 1:59:47 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee members, I am urging all the committee members to vote against HB246. All this bill will do is create problems for law abiding citizens who could get caught up in a situation that could cost them great financial hardship to prove their innocence.

Thank You for your time,
Marc Couture

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM
From: [GAYLIE BLAKE](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 1:43:43 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Honorable members of Committee: Please render Bill HB246 ITL. We already have enough laws on the books to take care of any such problem that might arise. We do not need more gun confiscation laws which are contrary to our 2nd Amendment Rights. Justice will be done without this new law.
Thank you, Sincerely, Jerome and Gaylie Blake, Alstead, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM
From: [John Casey](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 11:44:04 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To All Those Concerned,

I fail to understand why we can't focus our efforts against ALL types Violence and Abuse, and for all the citizens of New Hampshire.

I feel that by starting with the Elderly, some would hope to use people's feelings and sympathy to push their agenda. And next, they would probably ask that we "do it for the children".

Do we really think that the illegal confiscation of a citizens firearms would magically resolve any situation? Other countries have tried and failed. And as violence has grown out of control, they are now trying to ban knives.

Also, has anyone considered that someone could abuse these types of regulations to disarm the person they intend to harm? Leaving a law abiding citizen completely defenseless?

These illegal efforts to slowly pick away at our Constitution are becoming a common occurrence. They should not and can not be allowed to corrupt and destroy our state, or our country.

Please do not allow these types of illegal and unconstitutional actions to proceed any further. I hope that the will of the people that you represent is honored and you vote against this and all future attempts by those who wish to ignore us.

Thank You Very Much,
John Casey
Chester, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:44 PM
From: Tom Carney
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 11:39:14 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Cc: Richard Ames; Doug Ley; J.R. Hoell
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Honorable NH House Committee Members:

Please end your discussion on, and vote in opposition to NH HB246 on the ground that it conflicts with citizens rights of due process and presumption of innocence under both NH State and US Constitutional Law.

Please enter my comments (above) into the record and transcripts of your committee's hearings and proceedings regarding NH HB246 (2021) . Thank you . Acknowledgement reply requested

Very truly yours,
T. J. Carney
Dublin, NH 03444

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:32 PM
From: [AT&T® Internet Service](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:24:32 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please do not endorse this House Bill 246. Enough of our rights have been taken away and we need to protect the ones that we have. Three generations of my family fought for these rights in WW1, WW2, and Vietnam. Do not throw these sacrifices that we made out in the trash. Thank you.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Vince Chestnut](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 7:57:12 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose this bill that tramples upon the rights of law abiding citizens. Any bill that acts upon just an accusation is against the principles of the Constitution.

Vincent Chestnut
E Hampstead NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Scott McPherson](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 7:45:44 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Representatives:

Please oppose HB246. Due process is the cornerstone of our legal system, and this bill, if it became law, would radically undermine this important principle. Gun owners deserve the same consideration as everyone else. Please vote AGAINST HB246.

Thank you,

Scott McPherson
86 Moulton Road
Freedom, NH 03836

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Ian Reese](#)
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2021 6:21:13 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

There is no right to strip people of theyre right to bear arms. The people of this great state want you to stop trying to remove our rights! Thank you for dismissing this bill.

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [James Andrews](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 9:23:01 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern: please oppose this terrible legislation! It is nonsense!

Yours Truly,

James Andrews

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Michael Vermette](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 4:54:58 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Kill this bill!!!

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Chuck Driesbach](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 4:54:05 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am requesting that you discontinue going forward with the subject legislation.

I believe this type of legislation allows people with a personal grievance to use the Government to take firearms without due process.

Thank you,

*Chuck Driesbach
23 Barton Rd
Epsom, NH 03234
847.421.3305*

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Brennan Robinson](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 3:48:46 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To the committee,

As a New Hampshire resident, I find it abhorrent that any bill that allows the confiscation of firearms in our great state of New Hampshire is even being considered. Anyone who votes for this will lose the support of myself and a dozen others I know in coming elections. Residents of this state really do take the whole "Live Free or Die" mantra seriously, and that means residents of this state unilaterally oppose gross government overreach on fundamental liberties like our inalienable right to bear arms.
Vote no on HB246.

Best Regards,
Brennan.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: [Pamela Kendall](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 3:30:17 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Hello,

I tried calling the committee at 271-3589 but there was no answer. I would like to express my opposition to HB246, and to urge the House to oppose this bill. HB246, if passed would defy our personal liberties, and could lead to a surprise confiscation of our firearms without due process. This bill has no place in NH law.

Thank you,
Respectfully, Pamela

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:45 PM
From: derek1j@hotmail.com
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 2:51:05 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose this bill.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: den1is@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 2:49:43 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I'M NOT IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL. PLEASE VOTE IT DOWN. THANKS DENIS

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:32 PM
From: [Ron Roy](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:37:02 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Passing House Bill 246 would be a serious violation of my constitutional rights and I ask that you oppose it.

Ronald N. Roy

166 East Milan Road
Berlin NH 03570
(603) 752-3738

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM

From: [Alan Ross](#)

Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 2:03:39 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

This bill and fringes on our rights and I urge you to vote against it

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [Nyghtmyst](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:49:52 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

As a life long NH resident i see no need to move this type of a legislation our our great state But beyond that it violates multiple Constitutional right which you the legislators are supposed to protect not violate and the bill HB246 dose exactly that this type of legislation is an affront to free people and last i new we are a free people the people who keep putting these kinds of bill forward should be censured further more are not working for the American people or the state residents this is the live free or die state might add so in closing this bill need to be put in the trash bin

Sincerely Lawrence W Hurd

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [Devon Fuchs](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:41:47 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern,

I urge you to kill HB246 in committee, where it deserves to die. Any bill that fails to protect the Constitutional and natural rights of all New Hampshire citizens is a bill worth stopping before it leaves committee.

Once again, I urge you to kill this disaster of a bill.

Thank you,
Devon Fuchs
Brentwood, NH

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [RJ Di Nitto](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:39:12 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Cc: [Timothy Lang](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please Oppose HB246

Regards,

RJ Di Nitto

Sanbornton

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: Matt
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:34:21 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please vote to KILL HB246, the Elder Abuse Bill. Elder abuse can be included in the current domestic violence statutes without additional gun confiscation provisions. The list of activities, most of which are not even criminal, do not involve firearms; therefore the surrender of firearms is immaterial and irrelevant to "elder abuse." If a crime is committed with respect to an elderly person, existing laws cover those situations. There is no need for an additional statute in relation to a largely non-existent problem.

Sincerely,

Matthew and Patricia Tyszka
Newport, NH 03773

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM

From: [bobby](#)

Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:12:56 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

The people have spoken!!

We the people do NOT want gun confiscation!!

I urge you to not allow this bill to go any further!

James Connor

PO Box 473

Troy, NH 03465

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [millard martin](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:08:18 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I stand in opposition to HB246. Im 75 years of age and have managed my life very well. Would love to know the age of this sponsor !

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [James McKearin](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:03:22 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please reject this faulty bill that would remove my Constitutional rights without due process.
Thank You,
Jim McKearin

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [asdferty](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 1:00:57 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am writing to urge you to defeat HB246. Due process is, and should remain, the cornerstone of our legal system.

Sincerely,
Martin Hanft
Canaan, NH

Sent with [ProtonMail](#) Secure Email.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM

From: [Leo](#)

Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:46:24 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Cops only show up after the crime to draw chalk lines around the bodies. People need their guns for self defense and guns are the great equalizers = big or small weak or strong, guns make it a fair fight.

The elderly need them. They are natural and can be easy victims.

Thanks

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:33 PM
From: [Robert Carlson](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:35:30 AM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Legislators,

Please vote House Bill 246 down. This red flag gun confiscation bill is clearly unconstitutional and tramples the 2nd Amendment.

Thank you,

Bob Carlson
25 Poor Farm Road P O Box 171
Nottingham NH 03290-0171
603.534.1313
ake@silicapond.com

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [Diana Friant](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:45:53 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear elected officials,

As a resident of New Hampshire and your constituent, please hear my voice on Bill HB246.

I strongly oppose this bill. I believe this is unconstitutional and infringes on my rights as a gun owner. Further to that, it paves the way any arbitrary “law” to take other freedoms away from law abiding and legal CITIZENS.

The law will NOT accomplish its stated purpose to protect individuals from harming themselves or others.

Respectfully,

Diana S Friant
14 Pamela Lane
Raymond, NH 03077

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [Peter Candelieri](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:18:51 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Say no to Bill HB246

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM
From: [Erik Hettinger](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:16:04 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Sirs and Madams,

Please kill the bill listed in the subject of this email. Many people, myself included, have serious grievances with regards to civil liberties being forfeited due to this flawed piece of legislation. Governor Sununu has already spoken on this matter in the past. I'm not sure why this bill continues to be introduced.

Sincerely,

Erik Hettinger
55 Lucille St. Manchester NH 03103

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:46 PM

From: [Donald L. Avery](#)

Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:14:58 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs; Dr. Walter Moore](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Hi, I'd like it to be known that I strongly oppose Bill HB246. Today the bill is counting on an emotional reaction to elder abuse, tomorrow it will be pulling heart strings for infant and child sexual abuse but the bottom line is that there are laws in place to deal with these heinous crimes that do not involve loss of due process. Caring for an elderly parent(s) should be encouraged but there are far too many people who can be "uncomfortable" seeing a gun case going into a vehicle headed to the gun range, etc. that would jump at the opportunity to rid law abiding people of their guns. In this modern day and age no one needs a gun anyway, right? Forget the fact that BLM and Antifa have rioted, murdered and burned our country for the last year while people are planning to defund the police. Please defeat HB246 and all other due process trampling bills like it that are sure to come.

Best,

Don Avery

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [LAWRENCE BLANEY](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:08:54 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please stop Bill HB246.

L J Blaney
31 Quince Hill Dr
Hooksett, NH
603 557 1116

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [Anthony Amato](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:07:48 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I want this bill ITL'D.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [Lynda LEVY](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:02:54 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose this unconstitutional bill and protect our second amendment rights.

Thank you,
Lynda Levy
Concord

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [Brandon Renrut](#)
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 11:47:53 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Violating the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Amendments of the U.S. Constitution, should never be proposed as helpful legislation.

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From: [robert rooney](#)

Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 4:12:07 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

do not allow the bill to pass. Thank you

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [Jeremy Clark](#)
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 1:21:13 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear committee members, this a terrible and unconstitutional bill and must be stopped.
Thank you.

Jeremy Clark

Gilmanton NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:33 PM
From: [Steve Dane](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:33:54 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This bill should be voted down. HB 246 is not good for anyone.

Thank You,

Steve Dane

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: Sue
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 8:18:04 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I truly object to this proposed bill. It totally violates the 2nd amendment, the HIPPA privacy policies, the ability for our elderly to not only protect themselves and their families but for the ability to hunt and protect themselves while enjoying the outdoors.
How dare you try to control people. You should be totally ashamed of yourselves.
Resident of Kensington,
S Bishevsky-Weeks

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [Tim Dolan](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 5:56:15 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Stop the insanity

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: [albert french](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 4:23:15 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am not in favor of that bill: HB246
Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:47 PM
From: Ray Boulanger
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 3:42:18 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I cannot believe this bill has popped up again after being defeated last year. It is a bad bill that will have citizens accused of things that they have not done yet. It pretty much comes down to being guilty of something then having to prove you are innocent. That is completely backwards of what our constitution is set up. It makes it easy for anyone to accuse someone that they do not like of doing or saying something they never had said or did with no repercussions for anyone lying just because they do not like a person owning guns. The same holds true for a doctor or nurse reporting someone with no real valid diagnosis. It also gives an estranged spouse that wants to hurt someone a way to be sure that their ex-spouse no longer has a way to protect themselves. I was a juror in a trial years ago where a woman had to shoot her ex-husband. He was an ex-marine with a restraining order. He kicked in the front door and was trying to get into the bedroom where the woman was hiding. She shot him when he came in. She did not kill him but was able to escape. I know this sounds like a convenient story for me to be telling but it is true. It was many years ago in Laconia. We did find her innocent. If this bill were to pass her ex-husband could have called the police and claimed she had threatened him, they would have taken her gun and she would not have been around to tell the tale to the jury. This is just a bad idea all the way around and is completely unconstitutional, both federally and also goes against the state constitution.

Please stop trying to turn New Hampshire into Massachusetts. You all know they are moving here because NH is a nicer place. Now they are trying to turn it into Massachusetts with bills like this. Where will they move to once we are no longer a live free or die state anymore?

Ray Boulanger
524-4039
Tilton NH

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From: [Joe](#)

Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 3:03:14 PM

To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)

Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246

Importance: Normal

Please vote against this, as it clearly violates our constitutional rights.

Thank you

Joe Bistany

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Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: [Darlene Ligon](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 2:42:35 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Vote NO on HB246

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: [Kim Tardiff](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 2:36:40 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I object to the red flag law on gun confiscation as it is unconstitutional.

Sincerely,
Michael Tardiff
603-215-6630

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: [Joe Iozzo](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 12:39:46 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Hello,

As a registered voter in NH I would like you to know that I strongly oppose Bill HB246.

This Bill violates my constitutional rights - including due process, innocence until proven guilty, second amendment rights, and my right to confront my accuser!

Please vote against this bill and keep NH free!

Thank you!

Best Regards,

Joe Iozzo
34 Burgundy Dr, Nashua, NH 03062

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: [Jeremy Poire](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:19:47 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern, I'm deeply concerned about HB246 and vary upset that this type of bill would even be thought of in America. This bill goes against the constitution of the United States of America. The politicians of this country our loosing American values and are going to make law biding citizens criminals. I strongly believe that this is the wrong direction we need to go in and oppose HB246.

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:48 PM
From: [eugene long](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:14:13 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I am bitterly opposed to this legislation as it is a definite infringement of my God-given right to defend my Property and myself.

Eugene M.Long,Jr.,M.D.
Eaton, NH 03832

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:34 PM
From: [Gregg Fowler](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:24:53 AM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please vote. NO on 246

Gregg Fowler
Barrington, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:49 PM
From: [Brian Corey](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:12:12 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern;

I am emailing today to formally oppose this dangerous and very Un-American legislation which goes against everything America and the Great State of New Hampshire stands for, and will strip all citizens of their cherished and celebrated rights, including but not limited to the following:

Right to Due Process
Innocent until Proven Guilty
Second Amendment rights
Right to confront accuser

With this dangerous legislation, we will be ruining American lives based solely on heresay. Federal Rules of Evidence 801 and 802 ought not to allow for exceptions. Shame on all who would even consider such an Un-American concept.

God Bless America

- A concerned, gainfully employed, law abiding New Hampshire resident, landowner, and taxpaying citizen.
Brian Corey

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:49 PM
From: [Louis Edmonds](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:34:23 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose this bill. It is wrong on so many ways. Stop these efforts to hide the hearings as well as pass legislation that violates so many of the state and federal laws.

Further, there is no need for such legislation in NH. We live in one of the most safe states in the nation and that is in part due to the lack of gun laws and the knowledge of those intent on doing harm, that there are likely individuals in their midst that carry and have the ability to stop their actions.

Louis Edmonds, Georges Mills, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:49 PM
From: [Dennis/Connie Racine](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:08:57 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This should not even be happening!! What are you going to do next confiscate everyone's bank accounts?

This type of rhetoric needs to stop!!!

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:49 PM
From: [William Smith](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:55:41 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

What a filthy bit of legislation this is. If you embrace tyranny it's for you but very, very bad for Americans and for NH residents. The first thing that Hitler did when he came to power (that one seemed to be a legitimate election, by the way) was to confiscate all the guns in the hands of civilians. Sound familiar?
I urge you to discard this anti-American embrace of fascism and banish it to communist china where it fits perfectly.

Wm. Smith

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[William A. Smith](#)
A-1 Business & Practice Brokers, Inc.
Exeter, NH 03833
H/O Tel: 603 580-5510
Cell: 845 389-4111

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:50 PM
From: [Nathan Boothby](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:32:08 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

This type of legislation allows people with personal grievances to use the government to take firearms without due process! It goes against the state and federal second amendments! This is wrong on every level and is not supported by the people as evident in Governor Sununu's veto and strong re-election!

Thank you

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:50 PM
From: [Frank Murzyn](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:20:21 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Good Day,

Just a short note to respect your time. I am 100% against HB246

Thank you,
Frank Murzyn
Merrimack

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:50 PM
From: [rene](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:12:22 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

please vote against this bill. it is a disaster for law abiding citizens and an infringement on our 2nd amendment rights

Rene Leclerc
Fayne Leclerc
Candia NH 03034

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:50 PM
From: [Nathan Boothby](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:03:45 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Do not vote for this bill! It is unconstitutional on both the federal and state levels!

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:50 PM
From: "TEAMAGWAY"
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:59:07 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

DONT LET THIS HAPPEN !!!!!!!

Team Agway
teamagway@aol.com

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:50 PM
From: [Thomas Burt](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:30:36 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please stop this Bill. This type of action will only cause anger toward our state and federal governments by the the gun owners and the non gun owners alike. When you try to take something away from a group of people it just makes them and others want it more. Unlike the Privilege to drive a car the people have the Right to own a gun. Please do not stir the people up with this type of government effort right out of the box. Find something to unite the people and the government not break it down. People want love not anger. Put prayer back in the schools and pledge allegiance to our flag. Don't allow groups of minority thinking people decide how we live. Thank you

Tom Burt

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:35 PM
From: [rc o](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 11:35:37 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please kill this bill HB-246. This is not needed. Thanks for your time.
Rich hillman
Sandwich,NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: fredtv@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:12:38 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

I contact you today to share my concerns regarding House Bill 24. Though well intended, it does nothing to protect the rights of gun owners who legally and willfully abide by all current laws. I am not sure if this bill was intentionally written this way or otherwise but, I cannot accept the unjust trampling of my rights due to a poorly written bill.

Please oppose this bill.

Fred Vegliante
Merrimack, NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [NE CRIMINAL RESEARCH](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 6:31:42 AM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Greetings,

Please consider stopping the proposed so-called, "Red Flag" legislation in NH regarding gun confiscation. It allows no due process for the accused and is totally unnecessary to accomplish its supposed goal. If someone is truly dangerous to society there are, or at least should be, other legal ways to deal with the problem wherein the accused retains his or her constitutional rights to bear arms without that right being taken away at the whim of an accuser no matter who that accuser maybe

Sincerely,
Steve Catman
16 Cutler Rd

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: BRUCE GINGRAS
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 5:06:35 AM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee Members

I would like to urge you against this red flag bill. This is nothing but a short cut around due process and the right to face your accuser. In these cases a person would be stripped of a RIGHT guaranteed by the second amendment with out a trial where they can defend themselves. If this goes forward I have to wonder, what other rights will my state deem I am not worthy of?

Sincerely
Bruce Gingras

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Martha Temple](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 11:13:22 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

To whom it may concern,
It's our Constitutional right to bear arms! I'm against this bill. Do the right thing by upholding the Constitution. What is up with you people? You don't think that by not up holding the Constitution isn't going to affect you too at some point?
I know too much of the history of this nation and others who have given up the right to bear arms to want the government or anyone else to make that decision for me!
You agree to this bill means we voted in the wrong people to protect our rights!
Martha Temple

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Richard Roomberg](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 10:47:21 PM
To: ~[House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please oppose HB246.

Richard Roomberg
7 Lamplighter Lane
Salem, NH 03079

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Arthur Cody](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 10:07:27 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Please vote no

Sent from my iPhone

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Edward Wood](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 10:01:05 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Dear Committee

I oppose hb246 . It is taking away my 2nd amendment rights!

Respectfully

Ed wood

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Adam Garcia](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:43:24 PM
To: ~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Hello,

I urge you to not move forward with bill HB246. The bill is unconstitutional in every way and an embarrassment to the NH State Constitution and US constitution.

No one in New Hampshire deserves to lose their natural right to **due process, innocence until proven guilty, second amendment rights**, and their **right to confront their accuser. These are natural rights.**

**Thank you,
Adam
Unity, NH**

Sent from my iPad

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Kyle Coffey](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:33:23 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Good evening,

I am writing to voice displeasure in HB246. In my opinion, this bill violates many of my constitutional rights including due process, innocence until proven guilty, and my second amendment rights. If HB246 is enacted it would be a travesty for New Hampshire. Please reconsider your support for this matter.

Regards,
Kyle Coffey, Amherst NH

Archived: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:42:51 PM
From: [Shawn Drew](#)
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:27:20 PM
To: [~House Health Human Services and Elderly Affairs](#)
Subject: Gun Confiscation Bill HB246
Importance: Normal

Hello,

I'm writing to urge you to vote against HB246 as this removes a persons right to due process and our 2nd amendment constitutional rights.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)



GUN OWNERS OF AMERICA

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February 5, 2021

To the General Court
Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Dear Committee Members:

My name is Michael Earl Hammond. I have been a resident of Dunbarton, New Hampshire, for 29 years, although, at 71, I am a "snowbird."

I serve as Legislative Counsel to Gun Owners of America and I am writing in opposition to House Bill 246, which would expand the ability of government bureaucrats to go after the families of seniors in New Hampshire. I write as both GOA's counsel and as a state resident.

In September, 1996, my ailing mother, with Alzheimer's, moved from Kansas City to Dunbarton, so that I could take care of her. To do so, I terminated my political career, worked half-time in a semi-retired status, spent virtually all of my income, went into debt, and suspended unnecessary activities. Despite the difficulties created by my part-time work, my mother's consistently expressed wish was to live with me. And yet, government bureaucrats spent two years working to transfer my mother to a nursing home, contrary to her wishes and mine.

In 1998, those bureaucrats illegally entered my house while I was at the grocery store. They dragged my mother out of my house, screaming. They took away all of her rights and put under the control of a guardian with no due process in a star chamber telephone proceeding in the basement of Concord Hospital, in which neither my mother nor I was represented, contrary to law. And, when my mother would not stop screaming my name, Concord Hospital injected her with Haldol, an animal tranquilizer used in the Soviet gulag. After 4 weeks, we were able to get a Probate Court hearing, where our mother was returned to her family. By this time, the Haldol had reduced her to a vegetable -- and she died within months.

My case was not isolated. My understanding is that the proud elderly man down the road from me was similarly victimized.

From my standpoint, the problem with New Hampshire law is that the government has too much power to interfere in people's families and take away their rights with no due process.

House Bill 246 would exacerbate that problem.

It applies to "abusers." But "abuse" is defined as "the misuse of power, authority, or both, verbal harassment, or unreasonable confinement which results or could result in the mental anguish or

emotional distress of the vulnerable adult." So, when Concord Hospital refused to allow my mother's friends and family to take her outside to sit in the sun, was that "emotional abuse"?

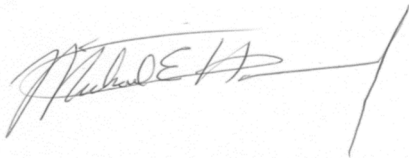
Under the bill, a guardian, or even a department bureaucrat, can bring charges against a family member. They can bring these charges in an ex-parte proceeding, with no due process. And the remedies allowed by the bill has virtually no limits, but certainly include the removal of the family member's constitutional right to keep and bear arms.

Advocates of this bill claim that "elder abuse is a major problem" and moan that the current criminal sanctions are not nearly draconian enough to deal with the problem.

I would argue that an even bigger problem is that senior citizens, like me, have no family to take care of them. And the last thing we want is for the government to strip away our rights without due process.

In New Hampshire, we still care about individual liberty. And we still care about constitutional rights. And the last thing we need is for this New York-crafted boilerplate bill to bring other states' repressive policies to the Granite State.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Earl Hammond", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Michael Earl Hammond
Legislative Counsel
Gun Owners of America



New Hampshire Firearms Coalition

NH's Only No-Compromise Gun Rights Organization

Mark Pearson, Chairman, and Honorable Members
Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee
New Hampshire House of Representatives
107 N Main Street
Concord NH 03303

February 4, 2021

Chairman Pearson and Honorable Members of the Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs Committee,

We write today in opposition to House Bill 246, establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults, a bill we refer to as 'Elder Care Gun Confiscation'.

As the Representative from Hampton, Renny Cushing, told you while introducing the bill, this idea is not new. Many iterations have been deliberated by the very body you represent today. None of them have succeeded, and for good reason.

Just last summer, Governor Chris Sununu vetoed this exact legislation. The governor cited several concerns, but notable among them were infringements to citizens 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 14th amendment rights under the United States Constitution – as well as the applicable related Articles in the New Hampshire Constitution. As elected officials, you have all taken an oath to protect and defend those very documents in your service to your constituents.

The New Hampshire Firearms Coalition has deep and unwavering opposition to HB246 as introduced, and we appreciate you taking the time to understand our concerns.

Even the proponents of the bill appear to recognize the constitutional problems of HB246 but seek to push it forward anyways. During original testimony on this bill, Rep. Weber from Walpole told you that "If the law errs on one side or another, I would hope that the law errs on the side of protecting the vulnerable adult and possibly overstepping on the rights of their abuser." Such a blatant out-facing statement exposes the lack of regard for the constitutional rights it will infringe on is troubling, to say the least.

Proponents claim that firearm language has been stripped from the bill – which is not true (page 3 line 20). The bill would allow courts to remand firearms from the accused. On top of that, any person for which an order is entered will be placed in the State Police database, which precludes them from purchasing or possessing firearms under existing state law. The

Permits and Licensing bureau references this list every time a background check is run through the “gun line.”

Courts can issue these orders in an ex-parte fashion, which deprives defendants proper due process under the Constitution. Proponents of the bill tell you this is necessary to protect abused adults, but in reality, this is not true. Abused adults have a variety of existing RSAs that police can use to charge criminal abusers.

Under this proposal, judges can allow evidence outside the normal rules of evidentiary proceedings in hearings for protective orders. This means they can allow hearsay testimony, or anything else they deem relevant.

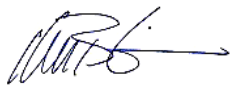
Worse yet, the burden of proof is simply a preponderance of the evidence, the lowest evidentiary standard in the law. If a judge finds that “more likely than not,” something MAY happen, their orders will be issued – with or without the defendant having an opportunity to defend his or her innocence.

Frankly, this bill has great potential for abuse itself.

Any bill that purports to protect one class of citizen by trampling on the rights of everyone else has failed its most basic threshold – to uphold our system of jurisprudence and defend the constitutional rights we are all afforded.

For the reasons stated above, we urge this committee to vote this bill Inexpedient to Legislate.

In Liberty,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kirk Beswick", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO HB 246

January 26, 2021 -- New Hampshire House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Good afternoon, for the record, my name is Alan Rice; I am resident of Bedford, NH and I am here today as the New Hampshire State Director for Gun Owners of America, a national organization with close to 2 million individual members. **We strongly oppose HB 246.**

HB 246 is a long, complex bill which is not much different than other bills that this body has heard and rejected over the past four years. HB 246 will allow the “guardian-in-fact” of a “vulnerable adult” to strip a Granite Stater of his Second, Fourth, Fifth, and Fourteenth Amendment rights through a “secret” telephone call -- with no hearing whatsoever -- and no chance for the accused to defend himself or to state his point of view before guns are confiscated. Guilty until proven innocent is not the American way.

We believe that HB 246 is another, brazen attempt at injecting government into every aspect of people’s private lives through the use of court appointed, court ordered guardians and fiduciaries who, if HB 246 is adopted, will be given the authority to have their guns confiscated. HB 246 describes vulnerable adults as:

“Vulnerable” means that the physical, mental, or emotional ability of a person is such that he or she is unable to manage personal, home, or financial affairs in his or her own best interest, or he or she is unable to act or unable to delegate responsibility to a responsible caretaker or caregiver.

But HB 246 goes on to state that: the “vulnerable adult” can authorize the Department of Health and Human Services to act on their behalf. This seems contradictory. If the vulnerable adult is “unable to manage personal, home, or financial affairs in his or her own best interest,” how then, would that person have the presence of mind to delegate these affairs to a state agency?

This conflict shows that HB 246 was not drafted to help anyone, but rather its intention is to provide another way for disgruntled family members to retaliate against someone who has probably not done anything wrong.

Another aspect of HB 246 that places the unsuspecting in legal peril is that it allows the courts to look back in time indefinitely:

The court shall not deny the plaintiff protective orders based solely on a lapse of time between an act of abuse, exploitation, or neglect and the filing of a petition, provided that the underlying act

presents a credible threat to the plaintiff's current safety or physical, mental, or financial well-being.

Who can request such a protection order? Pretty much anyone: a disgruntled child, sibling, niece, nephew, spurned lover, visiting nurse, police officers, anti-gun conservation officers. **The list of potential plaintiffs is endless and they can request such an order over the telephone.**

HB 246 includes language that appears to allow the defendant to demand a hearing at his own expense. He can expect the cost of said hearing to be tens of thousands of dollars. What is particularly galling is that the complainant is not bound by rules of evidence; and he, she, or the bureaucrat can throw in any accusation they wish into evidence – without incontrovertible proof!

In the meantime, while the accused and defendant are waiting for a hearing, the police can take any action they wish to “protect the complainant.” This will almost certainly include gun confiscation. In accordance with standard protocol, under HB 246, the police can arrive at an individual's door in the middle of the night to ransack his house and, if he resisted, to arrest and shoot him.

This is exactly what happened in Ferndale, Maryland, to 60-year-old Gary Willis, a "gentle" man who was targeted by a vindictive relative, and who was shot to death when police arrived at his darkened house at 5:17 AM because he answered the door with a gun. Which, at 5:17AM is a prudent way to answer the door.

Sure, after the order is entered and the guns are confiscated, you can spend thousands of dollars on attorneys and experts to attempt to convince a judge to return your property. That is NOT due process; true due process occurs when the presumption of innocence remains and the accused has an opportunity to be heard in court before their property is taken.

So even if the gun owner survives the "knock-on-the-door" in the middle of the night, it is unlikely that he will be able to summon the resources to defend his constitutional rights in court.

If the sponsors of HB 246 truly wish to protect “vulnerable adults”, they should read:

R.S.A. 631:8 Criminal Neglect of Elderly, Disabled, or Impaired Adults – which provides that purposeful causing serious bodily injury to an elderly, disabled, or impaired adult is a Class A Felony and knowingly or recklessly causing serious bodily injury is a Class B Felony;

R.S.A. 631:9 Financial Exploitation of an Elderly, Disabled, or Impaired Adult, and;

R.S.A. 631:10 provides that those who financially exploit those vulnerable members of society, can be convicted of at the least a misdemeanor and at worst, if the exploitation is \$1500 or more, a Class A Felony.

These laws already protect the most vulnerable members of society -- HB 246 is not even needed.

On behalf of almost two million members of Gun Owners of America, I'm urging you to vote HB 246 “inexpedient to legislate.”

Thank you.

It is my belief that HB-246 creates a class of people (elderly, seniors) and assumes that those belonging to that group should loose their constitutional rights under the law. This bill revokes the second amendment for the "class", revokes the right to due process for the "class", eliminates the right for this "class"to face the accuser.

Creating this "class" of people is bigoted and demeaning. It assumes that only this class of people should not have the same rights as younger folks. This is plainly age discrimination.

The bill also potentially subjects the "class" to abuse by making them a target for other who may have ill intentioned ulterior motives. It takes away the right to defending oneself particularly in remote areas of the state where law enforcement would not be able to get there in time.

There are no guidelines under which an accuser can be screened for criminal intent or mental illness. So the accuser could conceivably be a paranoid schizophrenic and be making a frivolous complaint which endangers all parties involved. Because the bill guards the identity of the accuser, harassing repeat accusations could potentially occur.

If there is suspicion of an individual doing themselves or anyone else harm there already are mechanisms in place to get that person help without creating and penalizing an entire"class" of people.

Please do not sign a bigoted law that endangers our seniors and the police who would have to confiscate property.

Sincerely,

Julie Taves
Hollis, NH.

Thanks the opportunity to speak on this bill. First I must say that I fortunate to have loving children and grandchildren.

As a senior citizen I have witnessed acts of abuse aimed at seniors on two occasions. One caused serious increase to an already life threatening issue. A grandchild of a man who had been given power of attorney to allegedly help him through his senior years and his recurring epilepsy seizures was withholding medication and income from retirement funds and would use the practice to get cash from him.

As a result he had a seizure and fell hitting his head on the corner of a table. When EMT arrived he withheld info regarding her practice. A short time later she spiked one of his drinks causing him to fall twice in one evening. The 2nd time he opened a large cut on his forehead. The EMT arrived and took him to the hospital. The police were notified and were given the information.

During a search of her apt

a large amount of the meds she was withholding was discovered along with cash.

I don't know how she managed it but her punishment was a restraining order keeping her no less than 200 feet from his apt. He was sent home but passed away a month later. A few days later I asked one of the police officers what would happened to her? He told me they did all they could.

The second instance is not so damaging but still had a negative effect on the senior. Without verbal or written permission a senior woman's son decided on his own to take her car and give it to his teen son to drive. She hasn't had a moving violation or accident in 12 yrs. She reported the car stolen to her local police department. The officer questioned her about her health and age. He also made remarks inferring to the idea that she is old and forgetful. There is no public transportation so she depends on neighbors to take her to market and medical appts.

Senior abuse isn't just referring to physical damage, which does happen it refers to larceny, using meds and money as a method of blackmail.

Forging checks and illegal use of credit cards.

The laws regarding what actions could be taken by the victims or law enforcement must be and should be tightened so alleged perpetrators wouldn't be so quick to commit the deeds Thank you all for listening to my message. I urge you to vote in favor of HB 246



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Dear Members of the House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee,

Hello, my name is Ryan Donnelly. I am writing to you today on my own behalf, as well as that of Granite State Independent Living. GSIL is a state-wide non-profit organization that advocates and provides services for seniors and people with disabilities who wish to remain independent in their homes and communities. I am writing to you today in support of HB246.

I myself am a person with a severe physical disability. I live with a condition called Osteogenesis Imperfecta. My bones break and fracture easily, I am unable to walk, and I am also short in stature. I value my independence, which includes driving my own van, holding a job, and being a part of my community. However, because of my condition, I rely on others for my personal day to day care.

There is a great deal of trust that comes in taking someone on to provide that day to day care. Unfortunately there can be times when that trust is broken. I myself was once a victim of serious emotional abuse and an instance of unwanted physical contact at the hands of a live-in caregiver. It was a traumatic, painful, and frightening ordeal for me and for my family.

As it stands right now, even for a vulnerable adult such as myself, the definition of abuse can prove to be narrow. Because the nature of the abuse I was subjected to was primarily emotional, I was successful in receiving only a temporary protective order against my former caregiver. While my personal situation was ultimately resolved in a satisfactory manner, I wish that more could have been done at the beginning of my ordeal.

That is precisely where this bill comes into play. For people with disabilities like myself as well as other vulnerable adults, HB246 reasonably broadens the definition of abuse. This will allow the law to protect those individuals who cannot protect themselves. This encompasses a whole slew of people. It includes not only older citizens who might be taken advantage of financially, but also those of us of sound mind who live with physical disabilities who face abuse or exploitation at the hands of those who are supposed to be caring for our needs.

With this in mind, I hope the members of this committee will choose to support HB246. Thank you for the opportunity to testify to you today, and for all of the hard work you perform on the behalf of all New Hampshire citizens.

Sincerely,

Ryan J. Donnelly
Advocacy Coordinator

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HB 246 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **246**

AN ACT establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.

SPONSORS: Rep. Cushing, Rock. 21; Rep. Mangipudi, Hills. 35; Rep. Chase, Straf. 18

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a procedure for protective orders for vulnerable adults.

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 establishing a protective order for vulnerable adults.

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

1 1 New Chapter; Protective Orders for Vulnerable Adults. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter
2 173-C the following new chapter:

3 CHAPTER 173-D

4 PROTECTIVE ORDERS FOR VULNERABLE ADULTS

5 173-D:1 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to enable vulnerable adults to seek permanent
6 and temporary relief from abuse, exploitation, and neglect.

7 173-D:2 Definitions. In this chapter:

8 I. "Abuse" means any one of the following:

9 (a) "Emotional abuse" means the misuse of power, authority, or both, verbal harassment,
10 or unreasonable confinement which results or could result in the mental anguish or emotional
11 distress of a vulnerable adult.

12 (b) "Physical abuse" means the use of physical force which results or could result in
13 physical injury to a vulnerable adult.

14 (c) "Sexual abuse" means contact or interaction of a sexual nature involving a vulnerable
15 adult without his or her informed consent.

16 (d) "Other abuse" means any of the following:

17 (1) Assault or reckless conduct as defined in RSA 631:1 through RSA 631:3.

18 (2) Criminal threatening as defined in RSA 631:4.

19 (3) Sexual assault as defined in RSA 632-A:2 through RSA 632-A:5.

20 (4) Interference with freedom as defined in RSA 633:1 through RSA 633:3-a.

21 (5) Destruction of property as defined in RSA 634:1 and RSA 634:2.

22 (6) Unauthorized entry as defined in RSA 635:1 and RSA 635:2.

23 (7) Harassment as defined in RSA 644:4.

24 (8) Cruelty to animals as defined in RSA 644:8.

25 II. "Authorized" means written consent provided by the vulnerable adult.

26 III. "Contact" means any action to communicate with another either directly or indirectly,
27 including, but not limited to, using any form of electronic communication, leaving items, or causing
28 another to communicate in such fashion.

29 IV. "Defendant" means the person against whom the protective orders are sought and, if the
30 petition is granted, the restrained person.

31 V. "Department" means the department of health and human services.

1 VI. "Exploitation" means the improper use of a vulnerable adult's person or property for
2 another person's profit or advantage, or the breach of a fiduciary relationship through the use of a
3 person or a person's property for any purpose not in the proper and lawful execution of a trust,
4 including, but not limited to, situations where a person obtains money, property, or services from a
5 vulnerable adult through the use of undue influence, harassment, duress, deception, fraud, or under
6 any circumstances where the person knew or had reason to know that the vulnerable adult lacked
7 capacity to consent.

8 VII. "Foreign protective order" means an order enforceable under RSA 173-D:14.

9 VIII. "Neglect" means an act or omission which results or could result in the deprivation of
10 essential services or supports necessary to maintain the minimum mental, emotional, or physical
11 health and safety of a vulnerable adult.

12 IX. "Plaintiff" means the vulnerable adult to be protected by the protective orders and, if the
13 court grants the petition, the protected person.

14 X. "Vulnerable" means that the physical, mental, or emotional ability of a person is such
15 that he or she is unable to manage personal, home, or financial affairs in his or her own best
16 interest, or he or she is unable to act or unable to delegate responsibility to a responsible caretaker
17 or caregiver.

18 173-D:3 Jurisdiction and Venue.

19 I. The district division and the judicial branch family division of the circuit courts shall have
20 concurrent jurisdiction over all proceedings under this chapter.

21 II. If the plaintiff has left the household or premises to avoid further abuse, the plaintiff
22 shall have the option to commence proceedings pursuant to RSA 173-D:4 in the county or district
23 where the plaintiff temporarily resides.

24 III. Proceedings under this chapter may be transferred to another court upon the motion of
25 any party or of the court as the interests of justice or the convenience of the parties may require.

26 173-D:4 Commencement of Proceedings; Hearing.

27 I. A vulnerable adult, guardian, or attorney-in-fact of a vulnerable adult, or if authorized by
28 the vulnerable adult, the department, may seek relief pursuant to RSA 173-D:6 by filing a petition,
29 in the county or district where the plaintiff or defendant resides, alleging abuse, exploitation, or
30 neglect by the defendant. Any person filing a petition containing false allegations of abuse shall be
31 subject to criminal penalties. Notice of the pendency of the action and of the facts alleged against
32 the defendant shall be given to the defendant, either personally or as provided in paragraph II. The
33 plaintiff shall be permitted to supplement or amend the petition only if the defendant is provided an
34 opportunity prior to the hearing to respond to the supplemental or amended petition. All petitions
35 filed under this section shall include the home and work telephone numbers of the defendant, if
36 known. Notice of the whereabouts of the plaintiff shall not be revealed except by order of the court

1 for good cause shown. Any answer by the defendant shall be filed with the court and a copy shall be
2 provided to the plaintiff by the court.

3 II. No filing fee or fee for service of process shall be charged for a petition or response under
4 this section, and the plaintiff or defendant may proceed without legal counsel. Either a peace officer
5 or the sheriff's department shall serve process under this section. Any proceeding under this chapter
6 shall not preclude any other available civil or criminal remedy.

7 III. The clerks of the circuit courts shall supply forms for petitions and for relief under this
8 chapter designed to facilitate pro se proceedings. All such petitions shall contain the following
9 words: I swear that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I
10 understand that making a false statement on this petition will subject me to criminal penalties.

11 IV. Prior to filing a petition under this chapter, the plaintiff shall be required to complete a
12 worksheet developed by the court outlining the plaintiff's rights and options for relief under this
13 chapter, RSA 173-B, and RSA 633:3-a. The worksheet shall also advise plaintiffs that they may
14 contact New Hampshire Legal Assistance and the New Hampshire Domestic Violence Hotline for
15 assistance prior to filing a petition. Plaintiffs shall be required to sign the worksheet stating the
16 following: "I understand my rights and options as explained in this worksheet. I am freely choosing
17 to file this petition even though there are other petitions I may qualify for that are specifically
18 designed for victims of domestic violence and stalking. I understand that using this petition may
19 prevent me from getting additional protections for physical safety that may be available to me,
20 including the right to ask the court to order the defendant to hand over their firearms or deadly
21 weapons."

22 V.(a) The court shall hold a hearing within 30 days of the filing of a petition under this
23 section or within 10 days of service of process upon the defendant, whichever occurs later.

24 (b) The time frame established in this paragraph may be extended for an additional 10
25 days upon motion by either party for good cause shown. A recusal by the judge or any act of God or
26 closing of the court that interferes with the originally scheduled hearing shall not be cause for the
27 dismissal of the petition. The court shall reschedule any hearing under this section in an
28 expeditious manner.

29 VI. In any proceeding under this chapter, the court shall not be bound by the technical rules
30 of evidence and may admit evidence which it considers relevant and material.

31 VII. The filing of a petition under this chapter, including any facts alleged or findings made
32 regarding the plaintiff's mental or physical capacity, shall not be admitted as evidence for any
33 purpose in any other court proceeding.

34 VIII. In a proceeding under this chapter, a support person may accompany a party in court
35 and, if the party is not represented by an attorney, may sit with the party at the table that is
36 generally reserved for the party and the party's attorney. The support person is present to provide
37 moral and emotional support for a person who alleges he or she is a victim of abuse. The support

1 person is not present as a legal adviser and shall not provide legal advice. The support person may
2 assist the person who alleges he or she is a victim of abuse in feeling more confident that he or she
3 will not be injured or threatened by the other party during the proceedings if the person who alleges
4 he or she is a victim of abuse and the other party are required to be present in close proximity. This
5 section shall not preclude the court from exercising its discretion to remove the support person from
6 the courtroom if the court believes the support person is prompting, swaying, or influencing the
7 party assisted by the support person.

8 173-D:5 Temporary Relief.

9 I. Upon a showing of an immediate and present danger of abuse, exploitation, or neglect, the
10 court may enter temporary orders to protect the plaintiff with or without actual notice to defendant.
11 The court may issue such temporary orders by telephone, facsimile, or any other methods approved
12 by court rules. Such telephonically issued orders shall be made by a circuit court judge to a law
13 enforcement officer, shall be valid in any jurisdiction in the state, and shall be effective until the
14 close of the next regular court business day. Such orders shall be returnable to the circuit court
15 where the plaintiff resides or to which the plaintiff has fled, unless otherwise ordered by the issuing
16 judge. If non-telephonic temporary orders are made ex parte, the party against whom such relief is
17 issued may file a written request with the clerk of the court and request a hearing on such orders.
18 Such hearing shall be held no less than 2 business days and no more than 3 business days after the
19 request is received by the clerk. Such hearings may constitute the final hearing described in RSA
20 173-D:4, V.

21 II. Such temporary relief may include:

22 (a) Protective orders:

23 (1) Restraining the defendant from abusing, exploiting, or neglecting the plaintiff.

24 (2) Restraining the defendant from entering the premises and curtilage where the
25 plaintiff resides, except when the defendant is accompanied by a peace officer and, upon reasonable
26 notice to the plaintiff, is allowed entry by the plaintiff for the sole purpose of retrieving toiletries,
27 medication, clothing, business equipment, and any other items as determined by the court.

28 (3) Restraining the defendant from withholding items of the plaintiff's personal
29 property which are specified in the order. A peace officer shall accompany the plaintiff or his or her
30 representative in retrieving such property to protect the plaintiff.

31 (4) Restraining the defendant from contacting the plaintiff or entering a specified
32 place frequented regularly by the plaintiff.

33 (5) Restraining the defendant from abusing the plaintiff, plaintiff's relatives,
34 regardless of their place of residence, or plaintiff's household members in any way.

35 (6) Restraining the defendant from taking, converting, or damaging property in
36 which the plaintiff has a legal or equitable interest.

1 (7) Granting the plaintiff exclusive care, custody, or control of any animal owned,
2 possessed, leased, kept, or held by the plaintiff or by the plaintiff jointly with the defendant in either
3 household, and ordering the defendant to stay away from the animal and forbidding the defendant
4 from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing, committing an act of cruelty or neglect, or
5 disposing of the animal.

6 (b) Other relief, including but not limited to:

7 (1) In the case of financial exploitation, prohibiting the defendant from transferring
8 or otherwise encumbering any of his or her assets which equal or exceed the amount of assets
9 claimed to be exploited, provided, however, that such prohibition shall not extend to, encumber, or
10 otherwise limit the rights of creditors, mortgagees, or secured parties in such property.

11 (2) Restraining the defendant from taking any action which would lead to the
12 disconnection of any and all utilities and services to the parties' household, or the discontinuance of
13 existing business or service contracts, including, but not limited to, mortgage or rental agreements.

14 (3) An order enjoining a party from specified behavior that the court determines is
15 necessary to protect the vulnerable adult.

16 173-D:6 Relief.

17 I. A finding of abuse, exploitation, or neglect shall mean the defendant represents a credible
18 threat to the safety of the plaintiff or physical, mental, or financial well-being. Upon a showing of
19 abuse, exploitation, or neglect of the plaintiff by a preponderance of the evidence, the court shall
20 grant such relief as is necessary to bring about a cessation of abuse, exploitation, or neglect. Such
21 relief may include:

22 (a) Protective orders:

23 (1) Restraining the defendant from abusing, exploiting, or neglecting the plaintiff.

24 (2) Restraining the defendant from entering the premises and curtilage where the
25 plaintiff resides, except when the defendant is accompanied by a peace officer and is allowed entry
26 by the plaintiff for the sole purpose of retrieving personal property specified by the court.

27 (3) Restraining the defendant from contacting the plaintiff or entering the plaintiff's
28 place of employment, school, or any specified place frequented regularly by the plaintiff or by any
29 family or household member.

30 (4) Restraining the defendant from abusing the plaintiff, plaintiff's relatives,
31 regardless of their place of residence, or plaintiff's household members in any way.

32 (5) Restraining the defendant from taking, converting, or damaging property in
33 which the plaintiff has a legal or equitable interest.

34 (6) Granting the plaintiff exclusive care, custody, or control of any animal owned,
35 possessed, leased, kept, or held by the plaintiff or by the plaintiff jointly with the defendant in either
36 household, and ordering the defendant to stay away from the animal and forbidding the defendant

1 from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing, committing an act of cruelty or neglect, or
2 disposing of the animal.

3 (b) Other relief including, but not limited to:

4 (1) Granting the plaintiff the exclusive use and possession of the premises and
5 curtilage of the plaintiff's place of residence, unless the defendant exclusively owns or leases and
6 pays for the premises and the defendant has no legal duty to support the plaintiff and provided,
7 however, that such relief shall not extend to, extinguish, encumber, or otherwise limit the rights of
8 creditors, mortgagees, or secured parties in such property.

9 (2) Restraining the defendant from withholding items of the plaintiff's personal
10 property specified by the court. A peace officer shall accompany the plaintiff in retrieving such
11 property to protect the plaintiff.

12 (3) Granting to the plaintiff the exclusive right of use and possession of the
13 household furniture, furnishings, or a specific automobile, unless the defendant exclusively owns
14 such personal property and the defendant has no legal duty to support the plaintiff.

15 (4) Ordering the defendant to make automobile, insurance, health care, utilities,
16 rent, or mortgage payments if the defendant has a legal or fiduciary duty to do so.

17 (5) Ordering the defendant to pay the plaintiff monetary compensation for losses
18 suffered as a direct result of the abuse, exploitation, or neglect which may include, but not be limited
19 to, misappropriated funds, loss of earnings or support, medical and dental expenses, damage to
20 property, out-of-pocket losses for injuries sustained, and moving and shelter expenses.

21 (6) Ordering the defendant to pay reasonable attorney's fees.

22 II. The court shall not deny the plaintiff protective orders based solely on a lapse of time
23 between an act of abuse, exploitation, or neglect and the filing of a petition, provided that the
24 underlying act presents a credible threat to the plaintiff's current safety or physical, mental, or
25 financial well-being.

26 III. No order made under this section shall supersede or affect any court order pertaining to
27 the possession of a residence or household furniture as determined by a circuit court, or title to real
28 or personal property.

29 IV. The findings of fact with respect to the protective order shall be final, but questions of
30 law may be transferred from the circuit court to the supreme court.

31 V. Any order under this section shall be for a fixed period of time not to exceed one year, but
32 may be extended by order of the court upon a motion by the plaintiff, showing good cause, with
33 notice to the defendant, for one year after the expiration of the first order and thereafter each
34 extension may be for up to 5 years, upon the request of the plaintiff and at the discretion of the
35 court. The court shall review the order and each renewal thereof and shall grant such relief as may
36 be necessary to provide for the safety and well-being of the plaintiff. A defendant shall have the
37 right to a hearing on the extension of any order under this paragraph to be held within 30 days of

1 the extension. The court shall state in writing, at the respondent's request, its reason or reasons for
2 granting the extension. The court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce and collect any financial
3 compensation due to the plaintiff which accrued prior to the expiration of the protective order.

4 VI. Both parties shall be issued written copies of any orders issued by the court, and all
5 orders shall bear the following language: "A willful violation of this order is a crime, as well as
6 contempt of court. Violations of the protective provisions shall result in arrest and may result in
7 imprisonment." Orders shall clearly state how any party can request a further hearing and how the
8 plaintiff may bring a criminal complaint or a petition for contempt if there is a violation of any court
9 order.

10 VII.(a) No order issued under this chapter shall be modified other than by the court.

11 (b) If either party wishes the defendant to be excused from any provisions of an order of
12 protection, the remedy is to petition the court for modification of such order.

13 (c) A defendant who is restrained from contacting the plaintiff or entering the premises
14 of the plaintiff is prohibited from doing so even if invited by the plaintiff unless the restraining order
15 has been modified by the court.

16 (d) This paragraph shall give unequivocal direction to peace officers that orders for
17 protection are to be enforced as written and that no action by a party relieves them of the duty to
18 enforce the order.

19 VIII. Upon issuing an order against a defendant, in which a defendant is restrained from
20 having any contact with the plaintiff, the court shall advise the plaintiff that it would be unwise and
21 possibly unsafe for the plaintiff to contact the defendant. If the plaintiff wishes to contact the
22 defendant for any reason, the court shall advise the plaintiff that such contact be made only after
23 petitioning the court for a modification of the order. In an emergency situation, the plaintiff or
24 plaintiff's family may request that the local police department notify the defendant and the local
25 police may accompany the defendant to a designated location, such as a hospital, if appropriate.

26 IX.(a) A copy of each protective order issued under this chapter shall be transmitted to the
27 administrative office of the courts by facsimile or computer. An emergency protective order issued
28 telephonically shall be transmitted by telephone or facsimile to the department of safety.

29 (b) The administrative office of the courts shall enter information regarding the
30 protective orders into the state database which shall be made available to police and sheriff
31 departments statewide. The department of safety shall make available information regarding
32 emergency protective orders issued telephonically to police and sheriff departments statewide.

33 (c) The administrative office of the courts shall update the database upon expiration or
34 termination of a protective order.

35 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the administrative office of the courts,
36 the department of health and human services, or the department of safety, their employees and
37 agents, and law enforcement officials shall not be held criminally or civilly liable for action taken

1 under this chapter or RSA 458:16, provided they are acting in good faith and without gross
2 negligence, and within the scope of their duties and authority.

3 173-D:7 Permissible Contact.

4 I. A protective order issued pursuant to RSA 173-D:5 or RSA 173-D:6 shall not be construed
5 to prohibit an attorney, or any person acting on the attorney's behalf, who is representing the
6 defendant in an action brought under this chapter, or in any criminal proceeding concerning the
7 abuse alleged under this chapter, from contacting the plaintiff for a legitimate purpose within the
8 scope of the civil or criminal proceeding; provided, that the attorney or person acting on behalf of the
9 attorney: identifies himself or herself as a representative of the defendant; acknowledges the
10 existence of the protective order and informs the plaintiff that he or she has no obligation to speak;
11 terminates contact with the plaintiff if the plaintiff expresses an unwillingness to talk; and ensures
12 that any personal contact with the plaintiff occurs outside of the defendant's presence, unless the
13 court has modified the protective order to permit such contact.

14 II. A no-contact provision in a protective order issued pursuant to RSA 173-D:5 or RSA 173-
15 D:6 shall not be construed to:

- 16 (a) Prevent contact between counsel for represented parties; or
17 (b) Prevent a party from appearing at a scheduled court or administrative hearing; or
18 (c) Prevent a defendant or defendant's counsel from sending the plaintiff copies of any
19 legal pleadings filed in court relating to the petition or related civil or criminal matters.

20 III. A violation of this section may result in a finding of contempt of court.

21 173-D:8 Guardian ad Litem. In all proceedings under this chapter, the court may appoint a
22 guardian ad litem to represent the interests of the vulnerable adult. The guardian ad litem may
23 continue to serve after the final disposition of the case.

24 173-D:9 Notification.

25 I. A copy of any order made under this chapter which prohibits any person from abusing
26 another shall be promptly transmitted to the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction to
27 enforce such order.

28 II. Temporary orders shall be promptly served on the defendant by a peace officer.
29 Subsequent orders shall be sent to the defendant's last address of record. The defendant shall be
30 responsible for informing the court of any changes of address. Law enforcement agencies shall
31 establish procedures whereby a peace officer at the scene of an alleged violation of such an order may
32 be informed of the existence and terms of such order.

33 III. Any court-ordered changes or modifications of the order shall be effective upon issuance
34 of such changes or modifications, and shall be mailed or otherwise provided to the appropriate local
35 law enforcement agency and transmitted to the department of safety within 24 hours of the entry of
36 such changes or modification.

37 173-D:10 Violation of Protective Order; Penalty.

1 I. When the defendant violates either a temporary or permanent protective order issued or
2 enforced under this chapter, peace officers shall arrest the defendant and ensure that the defendant
3 is detained until arraignment, provided that in extreme circumstances, such as when the health of
4 the defendant would be jeopardized by the temporary detention, a judge in response to a request by
5 the arresting law enforcement officer or agency, may order an alternative to detention pending
6 arraignment. Such arrests may be made within 12 hours without a warrant upon probable cause,
7 whether or not the violation is committed in the presence of a peace officer.

8 II. The prosecution and sentencing for criminal contempt for a violation of a protective order
9 shall not preclude the prosecution of or sentencing for other criminal charges underlying the
10 contempt.

11 III. A person shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor if such person knowingly violates a
12 protective order issued under this chapter or any foreign protective order enforceable under the laws
13 of this state. Charges made under this chapter shall not be reduced to a lesser charge, as permitted
14 in other instances under RSA 625:9.

15 IV. Any person convicted under paragraph III, or who has been convicted in another
16 jurisdiction of violating a protective order enforceable under the laws of this state, who, within 6
17 years of such conviction or the completion of the sentence imposed for such conviction, whichever is
18 later, subsequently commits and is convicted of one or more offenses involving abuse may be charged
19 with an enhanced penalty for each subsequent offense as follows:

20 (a) There shall be no enhanced charge under this section if the subsequent offense is a
21 class A felony or an unclassified felony;

22 (b) If the subsequent offense would otherwise constitute a class B felony, it may be
23 charged as a class A felony;

24 (c) If the subsequent offense would otherwise constitute a class A misdemeanor, it may
25 be charged as a class B felony;

26 (d) If the subsequent offense would otherwise constitute a class B misdemeanor, it may
27 be charged as a class A misdemeanor;

28 (e) If the subsequent offense would otherwise constitute a violation, it may be charged as
29 a class B misdemeanor.

30 V. A victim of abuse, exploitation, or neglect shall be entitled to all rights granted to victims
31 of crime under RSA 21-M:8-k.

32 173-D:11 Protection by Peace Officers. Whenever any peace officer has probable cause to believe
33 that a person has been abused, exploited, or neglected, as defined in RSA 161-F:43 and RSA 173-D:2,
34 that officer shall use all means within reason to prevent further abuse, exploitation, or neglect
35 including, but not limited to:

36 I. Transporting or obtaining transportation for the victim to a place of safety, local family
37 member, or friend.

1 II. Assisting the victim in removing toiletries, medication, clothing, and any other items
2 determined by the court.

3 III. Giving the victim immediate and written notice of the rights of victims and of the
4 remedies and services available to victims of abuse, exploitation, and neglect. The written notice
5 shall include a statement substantially as follows:

6 "If you are the victim of abuse, exploitation, and neglect and you believe that law enforcement
7 protection is needed for your physical safety, you have the right to request that the officer assist in
8 providing for your safety, including asking for an emergency telephonic order for protection. You
9 may also request that the officer assist you in obtaining from your premises and curtilage, toiletries,
10 medication, clothing, business equipment, and any other items as determined by the court, and in
11 locating and taking you to a local safe place including, but not limited to, a place of safety, a family
12 member's or friend's residence, or a similar place of safety. If you are in need of medical treatment,
13 you have the right to request that the officer assist you in obtaining an ambulance. You may request
14 a copy of the report filed by the peace officer, at no cost, from the law enforcement department."

15 173-D:12 Notice to the Victim.

16 I. Notwithstanding the peace officer's obligations in RSA 173-D:11, all peace officers shall
17 give victims of abuse, exploitation, and neglect immediate and adequate notice of their right to go to
18 the circuit court of their county to file a petition asking for protective orders against the abusive
19 person and to seek a private criminal complaint.

20 II. The clerk of the court shall be responsible for advising victims of their right to request
21 that the judge issue an order which may include:

22 (a) Restraining the defendant from abusing, exploiting, and/or neglecting the victim.

23 (b) Directing the defendant to leave and stay away from the victim's premises and
24 curtilage.

25 (c) Restraining the defendant from contacting the victim, or entering any specified place
26 frequented regularly by the victim.

27 (d) Restraining the defendant from abusing, in any way, the victim, household members,
28 or victim's relatives, regardless of their place of residence.

29 (e) Restraining the defendant from taking, converting, or damaging personal or real
30 property in which the victim may have a legal or equitable interest.

31 (f) Ordering the defendant to pay the victim monetary compensation for losses suffered
32 as a direct result of the abuse, exploitation, or neglect which may include, but not be limited to,
33 misappropriated funds, loss of earnings or support, medical and dental expenses, damage to
34 property, out-of-pocket losses for injuries sustained, and moving and shelter expenses.

35 (g) Ordering the defendant to pay reasonable attorney's fees.

36 173-D:13 Emergency Care; Limitation and Liability. Any act or omission of any peace officer
37 rendering emergency care or assistance to a victim under this chapter including, but not limited to

1 transportation, shall not impose civil liability upon the peace officer or the peace officer's supervisors
2 or employer if the care or assistance is rendered in good faith, unless the act or omission is a result
3 of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

4 173-D:14 Orders Enforceable.

5 I. Any protective order issued under this chapter shall be effective throughout the state.

6 II. Any protective order issued by any other state, tribal, or territorial court related to abuse,
7 exploitation or neglect of a vulnerable adult, including an ex parte order, shall be deemed valid if the
8 issuing court had jurisdiction over the parties and matter under the law of the state, tribe, or
9 territory, and the person against whom the order was made was given reasonable notice and
10 opportunity to be heard. There shall be a presumption of validity where an order appears facially
11 valid.

12 III. Any valid protective order, as defined in paragraph II, shall be accorded full faith and
13 credit throughout the state.

14 IV. A person entitled to protection under a foreign protective order, as defined in paragraph
15 II, may file such order in any circuit court by filing with the court a certified copy of the order. Such
16 person shall swear under oath in an affidavit to the best of such person's knowledge that the order is
17 presently in effect as written. Such filing shall be without fee or cost. The clerk of the circuit court
18 shall forward such order to the administrative office of the courts which shall enter such order in the
19 state database. Such filing shall not be a precondition to arrest or enforcement of a foreign order.

20 V. A peace officer may rely upon a copy of any protective order issued under this chapter or
21 upon a copy of a foreign protective order, as defined in this section, which has been provided to the
22 peace officer by any source.

23 VI. Law enforcement personnel may rely on the statement of the person protected by the
24 order that the order remains in effect as written, provided such person reasonably appears to be of
25 sound mind when making such statement.

26 173-D:15 Reporting and Referrals. Any law enforcement officer who investigates an alleged
27 incident of abuse, exploitation, or neglect of a vulnerable adult shall report the matter to the
28 department pursuant to RSA 161-F:46 and advise the person subject to such violence of the
29 availability of programs from which that person may receive services.

30 173-D:16 Severability. If any provision of this chapter or the application of such provision to
31 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
32 applications of the chapter which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications,
33 and to this end the provisions of this chapter are severable.

34 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2022.