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I can't understand how anyone would think that a legal gun owning/carrying citizen shouldn't be allowed to carry on any county, state property or anywhere in the country for that matter. The reason a citizen legally carries a firearm is to protect themselves and those around them. Commissioner Bowling should be the first to understand this. I'm sure that a high percentage of shootings in PG County while he was on duty were done with illegal firearms, not a legal owning/carrying citizen. Also, the politicians think for their safety they should be able to carry and protect themselves, but citizens can't. This just seems like another case of our government thinking that they are above the citizens they are put in office to represent. Criminals will always have access to what they need to commit crimes, legal citizens should have the same opportunity to protect themselves, families and other innocent citizens. I pray that I will never have to pull my firearm in any situation, but I feel better knowing that I have it in case. I think we should better equip our citizens with training and information rather than take rights away because it makes someone uncomfortable. As in everything that we do, the more we learn and understand, the better we are at whatever that task may be. If criminals knew that many citizens are trained and armed, maybe they would think

twice before attempting a criminal activity. Prime example is the recent shooting that happened right by the Charles County Sheriff's Office in Laplata, could of been worse, but could of been avoided if the criminal had any respect for law/people around them. Make it harder on those that break the law. Things don't seem to be getting better in our area, so maybe a new tactic should be used. It's not easy to obtain an HQL to purchase a regulated firearm or a wear and carry permit, but those willing to go through the process should be trusted citizens. Thank you for your time, God Bless.

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