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## Bill 2022-14 Weapons and Firearms Prohibited on County-Owned or Operated Property

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## Are you:

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## Comment

I am opposed to any restrictions on the right to carry a lawfully obtained and permitted handgun by the person legally possessing it. I am also opposed to criminals being allowed to be in possession of guns and not be adequately secured from using those guns in the commission of a crime. The former will be considered a criminal if concealed-carrying in a County Government Owned building; the latter will be let out of jail on their own recognizance or unsecured bail a day after discovery. The proposed measure only punishes legal and law-abiding gun owners. It does nothing to make the county employees or vendors safer, as was cited by the government as the impetus for the bill. I am also opposed to the procedure under which this was put forth and then amended. It is comendable that the Commissioners and County Attorney's office wanted to amend this bill in light of public feedback, but doing so when they knew they'd have less than 24 hours to inform the public of changes is concerning. Without delaying the hearing, you've set the precedent that you could introduce something benign, lull the population into complacency, then just amend it right before the hearing with no real challenge from the population. That's a real concern with a Board that is embroiled in ethics scandals.

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