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

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Bill 2022-14 is a bad bill. It will do nothing to protect the citizens of Charles county and will put them at greater risk of becoming a convicted criminal if they are caught exercising their second amendment rights within 100 yards of any building or property used or owned by the county. No where is there any guidance as to what buildings/ property are considered "no carry zones" other than a vague notice that it's where "county employees use" placing the burden of determining the locations on the concealed carry holder. This bill will do nothing to stop crime or make Charles County safer. I have been living in Charles County since 1985 and can recall not one instance where a legally registered concealed carry holder has shot up any county building ever. If I am unable to carry a weapon to protect myself then why should a county commissioner get a free pass to be able to do so. As commissioner your focus should be on the safety of all voters. The burden that will be placed on the public to insure that they are not breaking any laws , if this bill is passed, would be a disservice to all creating needless uncertainty and fear amongst your voters. If I am legally carrying a gun and leave from my house in Nanjemoy I cannot get out of my

neighborhood without breaking the law. There is no way to get to LaPlata from Nanjemoy without going by a school, county building, park or Community center or other county used facility (which are all included as no go zones). In closing I wish to note that the supreme court has recently brought forth a decision that upheld a citizens right to be able to be armed in society to protect themselves. This bill goes against that ruling and if passed will be challenged in court . The massive expense that the court case will cost will lay squarely on the commissioners shoulders that vote for this bill. We will not forget . Thanks Terrence Poag Nanjemoy MD

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Thank you,  
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