Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee

Chair: Representative Kelly Moller

Re: HFs 396, 14,15, 601

IN SUPPORT

As a licensed psychologist in the Twin Cities for 42 years, a resident of St Paul and grandfather of four school age children, I am writing in support of House Files 396, 14, 15 and 601. I have heard too many horror stories from clients who have been traumatized due to unnecessary gun violence. We owe it to all citizens of Minnesota to create and maintain a safe environment to enjoy what our state has to offer. The proposals being considered are common sense steps to keep firearms out of the hands of children, domestic abusers, those despondent considering suicide and potential criminals.

I appreciate your efforts to make Minnesota the kind of state we all have come to love and a place to raise our children in a safe and healthy atmosphere.

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