

Hello my name is David Lubowitz. I reside in St Cloud. I am writing to oppose HF 4300 and HF 601.

Current law as defined in MN 609.666 prohibits the negligent storage of a loaded firearm in a location where a child is likely to gain access. The current law makes HF 4300 unnecessary at best, and an example of bad legislation.

HF 601 Allows the State of Minnesota to criminalize the victim of a crime for failing to report that crime; something we do not do with any other victim of any other crime. Why would the State of MN want to criminalize law abiding citizens and implement such punitive penalties?

In conclusion I will mention that the recent tragedy in Burnsville was caused by a criminal that attained a gun illegally. Neither of these laws would have prevented the tragedy. We can all agree that reducing violent crime is the goal. I would ask that the focus of legislation should be on punishing criminals not law abiding citizens. I want to thank you for your work at the legislature.

David Lubowitz

I'm including the 2nd amendment of the US constitution.

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.