

HCS HB 68 -- FIREARMS ON EMPLOYER PROPERTY

SPONSOR: Billington

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 11 to 4.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 68.

An employer is prohibited from terminating an employee for having a firearm in his or her vehicle on the employer's property if the employee's vehicle is locked and the firearm is not visible. Employers are not civilly liable for injuries or damages resulting from the use of stored firearms.

This bill is the same as HB 1567 (2020).

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill helps to protect individuals who are going to and from work. This maintains Second Amendment rights while also preventing liability to employers.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Billington; Susan Myers; and Arnie C. Dienoff.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.