



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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WITNESS NAME: ARNIE AC "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in full Support of this Tax-Exemption of Our Federal and State Constitutional Right to the Second Amendment in the Right to Bare-Arms and Ammunition. This makes sense and is great Legislation. In addition, we NEED to Fully Exempt ALL Food, Medical Supplies, Basic Necessities, Diapers and Women Hygiene Products. Let's Get this over to the State Senate and onto the Governor's Desk by March 1st!



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WITNESS NAME: CARL REED SMART		PHONE NUMBER: 816-833-4565	
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Why must we be taxed to exercise a constitutional right? The hunting, fishing and shooting sports already pay a federal tax to support conservation of our natural environment. We are the largest and true supporters of the conservation movement and we voluntarily did this decades ago. Also, taxation is becoming a popular method to attack our second amendment rights. Please just give us a break.



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WITNESS NAME: CHELSIE CREPS		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in support of this bill. As a woman and a mother my money is tight and being able to save the tax money on an expensive item is important. Money is also a limiting factor for many others to purchase the gun that is the best for them. It creates a larger barrier of entry to obtain firearms to defend themselves, especially those in lower economic bracket that tend to live in more criminally high communities and need a firearm to defend them and their families. Saving money on the firearm and the ammo would allow more to access this way of defending themselves and getting the training to do so safely.



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WITNESS NAME: DANIEL FARRELL		PHONE NUMBER:
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Support of HB2291



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WITNESS NAME: DANIEL RANDOLPH		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: DONALD SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: EDWARD L READENOUR		PHONE NUMBER:
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Since we can no longer count on the police to protect us and only become investigator's after the fact, I feel that it is only fair to eliminate sales tax on firearms and ammunition so it will be less expensive to arm ourselves for self protection.



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WITNESS NAME: FRANK BARBAGALLO		PHONE NUMBER:
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Taxing firearms and ammunition is just a way for governments to restrict and limit our ability to protect ourselves and maintain our 2nd Amendment rights and liberties! Please pass HB2291.



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WITNESS NAME: GARY L RIDENHOUR		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in support of HB 2291 Sales tax exemption for firearms and ammunition



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WITNESS NAME: JAMES ERIC CRIBBETT		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: bilkat90@sbcglobal.net	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:41 AM
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Taxation at all levels is government sanctioned theft, and I oppose any and all taxation which could grow the sized and scope of government.



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WITNESS NAME: JAMES FREEMAN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: jpf312@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 5:33 AM
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I support this bill for thr relief of sales tax.



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WITNESS NAME: JAMES OETTING		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: jwo5370-ad4@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 12:27 PM
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See above.



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WITNESS NAME: JERRY WIDEMAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: jdwideman@icloud.com		ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 10:24 PM
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WITNESS NAME: KENT ARNOLD		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: kenta556mm@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 9:39 AM
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This bill would be beneficial given the constant negative pressure on the Second Amendment.



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WITNESS NAME: LEWIS R. GIBSON		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: lgibson@greenhills.net	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/7/2024 6:06 PM
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I feel that sales tax should be exempt from the sales of firearms and ammunition.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL A WELLS		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL B ROGERS		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: matterstomike@aol.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 12:58 PM
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Please support the exemption of sales tax on firearms and ammunition. Thank you very much.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL WESTEN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: MichaelWesten.3up@protonmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 3:59 PM
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I support HB 2291. This bill in it's original form would prevent taxation from being weaponized against firearms and ammuntion which are protected by the 2nd Amendumnt. This bill would prevent excessive taxation being used as a backdoor method of gun control. It doesn't matter if guns and ammo are legal if they're not affordable due to a high tax rate.



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WITNESS NAME: MIKE THEISMAN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL: mltman74@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 9:42 AM
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I support this bill to eliminate unnecessary tax on self defense items.



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WITNESS NAME: RANDALL S. MALL		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL: randallmall.rm@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 11:04 AM

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This will increase our ability to keep and bear arms.



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WITNESS NAME: RICHARD PATTARINI		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL: onepatt@aol.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 4:17 AM

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YOU CANNOT TAX A RIGHT. JUST AS YOU CANNOT BE TAXED TO VOTE!**



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WITNESS NAME: ROBERT HOUSE		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: MissouriGambler@comcast.net	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 2:08 PM
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I support this bill.



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WITNESS NAME: RONNIE KING		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN MYERS		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: susanmyers@socket.net	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:10 PM
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I help lead a local chapter of Armed Women of America. In early 2020 I was witness to how the shutdowns, scarcities and price leaps disrupted our member's routines of regular practice and training. Ammo costs are still high compared to before. Many have still yet to fully return to their previous level of participation. Becoming proficient with firearms is not an overly complicated skill to obtain, but that skill is perishable. Any reduction in the price of a new firearm and a box of ammo (or a case) would be welcomed at this point by the women who carry in order to have a means to protect themselves and their families. Susan Myers, State Director - Women for Gun Rights



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WITNESS NAME: TIMOTHY COOGAN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: tim.p.coogan@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 9:30 AM
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WITNESS NAME: TONY SHEPHERD		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: abatemo@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 8:56 PM
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All for taking some tax burden off.



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WITNESS NAME: WILLIAM STAGINA		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: williamstation@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 6:58 PM

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In this day and age with all the violent crime, having a firearm and ammunition is as essential as food and water.



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WITNESS NAME: WILLIAM W BLAND		PHONE NUMBER: 816-590-9395	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: WESTERN MISSOURI SHOOTERS ALLIANCE		TITLE:	
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CITY: LIBERTY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 64068
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A Sales Tax exemption would help enable the most financially disadvantaged among us to exercise their God given right of self-defense.



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WITNESS NAME: ADRIAN BARRERO		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL: r_barrero@msn.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 10:23 AM
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These changes go against any common sense and do no more than continue alienating our values as people, masquerading them as "patriotism" and "freedom". I will continue to vote against these republican ignorant and hidden agenda changes, and will proactively encourage all friends and family to do the same. I am at awe about how people supporting this Can sleep at night. Selfish, ignorant, greedy, manipulative and abhorrent are some words I would like to sent their way



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WITNESS NAME: AL FRISBY		PHONE NUMBER:
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Why in the world would you exempt a tax on firearms and bullets? I can understand food, diapers, feminine hygiene, etc. We should increase costs to buying guns and bullets! If people who were mentally ill couldn't afford them, we would have less mass murder by a degree.



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I'm not necessarily opposed to abolishing sales tax for the sale of firearms, but what I am opposed to is abolishing the sales tax on firearms before abolishing it on products such as groceries and hygiene products. If we can afford to abolish the sales tax on firearms, we can do so for other necessities.



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There is no reason that firearms and ammo should be tax exempt. It makes no sense. Taxes on purchases are not an infringement of rights. This is just pure fetishization of gun culture. If we tax food and feminine hygiene products, we can tax guns and ammo. Sales tax on food doesn't infringe my right to live/eat.



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Thank you, Committee Members, for taking the time to read this testimony. I write to you today in opposition to HB 2291. I cannot fathom any good reason that firearms and ammunition would be exempt from state and local sales tax. Missouri is one of only thirteen states that taxes groceries, and you want to make firearms and ammunition exempt? Make it make sense. From the Missouri Department of Revenue's website, I can see that the 4.225 sales tax goes into four buckets (General Revenue 3.0, Education 1.0, Conservation 0.125, and Parks/Soils .01). As a state with a teacher shortage and underfunded schools already, taking more money away from education will only add to this crisis. As recently as June 2023, school boards were asking for a revision in the funding formula because funding has not kept up with inflation, and now you want to take even more money away. From the Senate committee's figures, this bill is likely to lose anywhere from \$3.3 to \$18.1 million in education in 2024 alone! From the general fund, it's \$10 to \$54.3 million! I don't think this government is in a place to be willingly handing over cash, particularly when it's not being redirected to families that need it. Firearms and ammunition should be subject to an excise tax given the high social cost they create, not exempt from taxes entirely. Please take this bill not further and use these sales taxes to fund our schools and communities instead.



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WITNESS NAME: AMANDA GONZALES		PHONE NUMBER:
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We already have too much gun violence in this state and too many guns. Why would we pass these bills? My church has signs on the door not allowing guns and we lock the doors when our service begins. Please write bills that would better educate and protect our students. Please write bills that would reduce or cancel food and hygiene product taxes. More guns and ammunition are not a necessity.



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It is absurd that firearms and ammunition would get a sales tax exemption in Missouri, when even GROCERIES are taxed. Please vote NO on this bill.



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This bill only benefits someone who wants to buy a gun. It will take away funding for education, social services, and public safety. It is crazy and should make everyone who pays taxes for groceries upset. Please do not pass HB2291 out of committee. Thank you. Ann Weaver 41570664784577 Walnut Street Kansas City, Mo 64111



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No one should receive a sales tax break for purchasing a deadly weapon.



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If we have to pay sales tax on necessities, why in the world, would we allow people to buy guns and ammo and not pay sales tax? Not a good fiscal move.



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Absolutely absurd! There should be an even heavier tax on guns and ammunition! Call it a luxury tax as is done for feminine products!



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HB2291 will take away funding for education, social services and public safety. If the legislature enacts this bill it will take away \$71 Million a year to state and local governments according to the fiscal analysis published last night. Removing sales tax from firearms and ammunition only benefits someone who wants to buy a gun. I oppose HB2291 and feel it laughs at every citizen of Missouri that still must pay taxes on groceries. Please do not pass HB2291 out of committee.



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I am totally against a sales tax exemption for firearms and ammunition, when we are among the few states that charge sales tax on food.



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Strongly oppose



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Against. We are experiencing a public health emergency related to rampant gun violence. Increasing access to firearms will only add to the horror. With nearly 300 fire arm related deaths in 2023 in St. Louis City a County alone, we need to focus our energies on passing laws that regulate the use of firearms—we do not need more access. We need regulated, restricted access.



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My opposition to this policy could not be stronger. While the 2nd amendment does enshrine a right to bear arms, these weapons are commodities and the purchase of these items are subject to taxes just like anything else.



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It would be a travesty to exempt ammunition and weapon sales from tax. Neither are a necessity! It would be a dereliction of the legislature to deprive the state of that stream of revenue. Oppose HB 2291



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Why do Ammo and Gun Sales get special treatment, terrible idea. You can afford Ammo and expensive guns, pay your taxes! Don't be a Mooch and a Leach on Missouri! Exempt Food and Diapers that EVERY Missourian would benefit from.



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I am writing in opposition to HB 2291. This is a ridiculous bill that shows where misguided certain politicians priorities are. We can't even get tax exemptions for diapers or food, and we can't even afford to keep up with reasonable teacher salaries, so why would we need tax exemptions for Weapons. This bill is severely out of touch with the needs of everyday Missourians.



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HB1708 elevates a Concealed Carry License holder to the level of a vigilante. They are not sufficiently trained in marksmanship or situations. The bill has no provisions for this. Public transportation is no place for a gunfight. Innocent people would be caught in the crossfire and be injured or die. Neither do I want guns in my house of worship. It's God's house, have respect. Do not pass HB1708 out of committee. Thank you,



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WITNESS NAME: DAVID M KOGUT		PHONE NUMBER:
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We do not need to exempt firearms and ammunition from sales tax. There's absolutely no justification for that. It does not help the public and it takes money from the state coffers.



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WITNESS NAME: DAVID ZACHARY PRENGER		PHONE NUMBER:
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With how bad our State's financial situation is, and how the State is trying to raise taxes on everything else, it is irresponsible to not charge taxes on firearms.



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Sales tax is paid on groceries and I see no reason why sales tax should not be paid on firearms and ammunition. This bill is ridiculous. Please stop being so gun crazy. Your constituents do not agree with you.



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I wholeheartedly oppose this bill, and as a resident find it embarrassing. The fact that I pay taxes on necessities such as groceries for my family and diapers for my child while recreational, high-price items such as firearms and ammunition are exempt is insulting. Firearms and ammunition is not an essential and should be (heavily) taxed.



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As a pastor of a 650 member congregation in Webster Groves, I oppose taxing food but not taxing ammunition. Food is a basic need common to all humans and ammunition, often used for recreation (targets or hunting), is not. We have much need for revenue in this state for education, highways, and to take care of the poor as Christ calls us to do. Ammunition is one item that should be taxed.



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Strongly oppose**



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This will lose the state much-needed tax revenue. You've already given away the purse by cutting taxes for the rich and you've already used needed tax revenue as a reason to keep taxing necessities like food, diapers, and menstrual products. Where, exactly, do you expect the school voucher scam money to come from?



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WITNESS NAME: ELLEN B SCHLANKER		PHONE NUMBER:
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This is unnecessary and wasteful support for gun manufacturers and dealers at the expense of other vital businesses and the entire community. We need to channel resources to areas that create jobs and promote the economic health of Missouri like education, roads, health care, business investment, technology, research, innovation, commerce and other endeavors that generate jobs and revenue that are vital to current and future generations of people in Missouri.



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I am in opposition to HB 2291 because WHY? Why do firearms and ammunition need a sales tax exemption? There are more important items that could be exempt that would help families be able to feed and clothe their families, keep the home maintained and energy efficient, etc



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Guns exact huge societal costs in the United States from death, disability, psychological trauma to the costs for fortifying schools and public spaces. Guns and ammunition need to be taxed MORE not less.



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WITNESS NAME: GENEVA ALLEN-PATTERSON		PHONE NUMBER: 573-579-9476	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: MOMS DEMAND ACTION		TITLE: PASTOR	
ADDRESS: 510 OLIVE STREET			
CITY: CAPE GIRARDEAU		STATE: MO	ZIP: 63701
EMAIL: geneva.binion@aol.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 9:23 PM	
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WITNESS NAME: GRETCHEN BLYTHE		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: gsblythe@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 6:10 PM
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I do not support a tax exemption for firearms and ammunition. Perhaps you could start with baby formula and diapers to help single moms and to help support life! We want these moms to have these babies so let's show them some sales tax exemptions support by applying the exemption to baby formula and diapers.



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EMAIL: cobb.heidi@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 5:13 PM

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This bill is performative and caters to the desires of gun lobbyists. Firearms and ammo are not necessities. Legislators would better meet the needs of Missourians by making essentials, such as food, diapers, and hygiene items, tax exempt.



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See statement above for my disapproval of more firearm use.



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WITNESS NAME: JACQUELINE GILMORE		PHONE NUMBER:
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This bill is a slap in the face to women that pay taxes for feminine products. Pass that tax exemption first.



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WITNESS NAME: JAMES E RELLEKE		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: rellekej@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 12:56 PM
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I am **AGAINST** HB 2291 which allows a sales tax exemption on firearms and ammunition. My question is **WHY?** Perhaps a better use of law would be a sales tax exemption on items that promote life and not destruction.



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WITNESS NAME: JAMIE S VOLLMER		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in opposition to this.



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Sales tax should definitely be imposed on firearms and ammunition and should be higher than other items, similar to that of cigarettes. This would help fund the added expenses to our communities caused by gun violence.



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WITNESS NAME: JENNIFER HARRIS DAULT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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EMAIL: doveintheattic@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written		SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 12:56 PM
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This bill is a slap in the face. We pay sales tax on food, clothing, diapers, period products — essentials . . .but we are now asked for gun sales to be tax free? Please get your priorities in order to HELP Missourians. We do not need easier access to guns, but instead easier access to groceries and education.



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These weapons have no business being free of sales tax. We have to pay sales tax on all things that are basic human needs. Weapons are not even in that category and should not be free of sales tax.



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EMAIL: jreimer78@hotmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 8:20 AM

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Why the hell would you give someone tax exemption for a firearm? No good answer. This is a killing machine. If I don't get tax exemption for tampons gun enthusiasts don't get an exemption for their weapons.



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I am opposed to the proposed tax exemption for firearms and ammunition in Missouri. We live in a state that taxes groceries and we are thinking of exempting guns? This is an outrageous proposal and I am firmly opposed.



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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: greer-j@mssu.edu	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:14 PM
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Only food and diapers are true necessities which deserve a tax exempt status. Government has the legal obligation to provide background checks for firearms purchases, as is supported by over 75% of all Americans. Therefore it is only logical that gun sellers should collect that tax to offset the necessary safety precautions to do their business just as all other legal businesses are required to do.



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WITNESS NAME: JO BETH BOYER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Having weak gun laws does not protect the general public. It just makes it easier for some people to access guns, often leading to impulsive suicide, domestic violence, homicide and collateral damage to children.



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WITNESS NAME: JOANN LINDEMANN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: jlindemann01@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 12:48 PM
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There is no logical reason for this and it should not become law.



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Eliminating taxes on guns and ammo will increase sales of guns and ammo, which correlates to increased shootings. This is not how we reduce crime.



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WITNESS NAME: JONICA BRIDENSTINE		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: silty-baobab-0d@icloud.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:55 PM

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Ammunition should not be taxed less than food. If anything, it should be more difficult to acquire.



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WITNESS NAME: JUDITH A HENSLEY		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: judyahensley@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 8:02 AM
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This is a loss of revenue of at least 71 million. Food and necessities should be tax exempt, not guns. HB2291 will take away funding for education, social services, and public safety. Removing sales tax from firearms and ammunition only benefits someone who wants to buy a gun. I oppose HB2291 and feel it laughs at every citizen of Missouri t



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WITNESS NAME: JUDY SHERY		PHONE NUMBER:
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A key factor in the epidemic of gun violence is access. There is NO reason to continue making it easier for more people to afford to own a gun and buy ammunition. In fact the tax should be INCREASED to make it harder for people to purchase ammunition. A better idea is taxing ammunition and NOT taxing food, diapers and personal hygiene products. DEFEAT this bill and its companion.



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I strongly oppose HB2291. Exempting sales tax on firearms and ammunition is outrageous in a state that maintains taxes on such everyday necessities as food, sanitary products and diapers.



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Missouri currently imposes sales taxes on feminine hygiene products and groceries, things Missourians need in order to live. There are some items I believe should be sold without tax, and firearm ammunition is not one of them. Firearm ammunition is not an essential item, and therefore should be taxed like any other sale according to the Constitution, or Statutes currently on the books.



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I believe we should exempt groceries from taxes before we exempt firearms and ammunition.



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WITNESS NAME: KATHY JACKSON		PHONE NUMBER:
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Making guns and ammo more affordable is ridiculous. This isn't a necessity. Perhaps a sales tax exemption on things like diapers and formula would be better.



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We tax food and medicine and our houses and our cars and more. HB2291 would make a travesty of our taxing system, which is already in questionable shape.



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WITNESS NAME: KENETHA WEIDMAIER		PHONE NUMBER:
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More importantly how about no tax on our groceries? This is pandering to the gun nuts. Not all Republicans are gun owners.



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WITNESS NAME: KENNETH HENSLEY		PHONE NUMBER:
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HB2291 will take away funding for education, social services, and public safety. Removing sales tax from firearms and ammunition only benefits someone who wants to buy a gun. I oppose HB2291 and don't understand why every citizen of Missouri still must pay taxes on groceries but not guns. Do not pass HB2291 out of committee.



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WITNESS NAME: KEVIN HINK		PHONE NUMBER:
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No justification has been provided as to why this bill is needed. Again, what problem does it solve?
Guns & ammunition aren't critical consumer goods. They are purely discretionary purchases, unless you are in law enforcement. I am not aware of any precedent for allowing sales tax exemptions on discretionary spending.



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Lower the age? Are you crazy or what? Heading towards no age limit. Shameful.



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WITNESS NAME: KIMBERLY MAXWELL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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EMAIL: kcm Maxwell7@hotmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 9:46 PM	

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Instead of proposing a bill that could offer tax exemptions for groceries or diapers or period products, this is what you choose to do? As a tax-paying Missourian, this bill is insulting and thoughtless. Please do not support this absurd bill.



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EMAIL: kortniehuddleston@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:26 PM

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I urge you to oppose HB 2291. Opposing the proposed bill necessitates a recognition of the potential exacerbation of the gun violence epidemic in our society. While proponents argue for an exemption of firearms and ammunition from state and local sales tax, it is essential to understand the far-reaching consequences this measure may have. The bill, in its current form, could inadvertently contribute to the proliferation of weapons without providing corresponding funding for effective measures to address the escalating issue of gun violence. Taxation serves as a crucial mechanism for funding essential public services, including law enforcement, mental health programs, and community outreach efforts aimed at preventing and mitigating the impact of gun-related incidents. Instead of affording preferential treatment to the firearms industry, our legislative priorities should focus on providing tax relief for necessary expenses, such as food, period products, and other essential commodities. Redirecting tax relief towards vital public safety measures, including mental health support and community outreach, is imperative for fostering a safer environment for all citizens. This bill, if passed, risks undermining these critical efforts and compromises the well-being of our communities in the face of a mounting public health crisis.



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WITNESS NAME: KRISTEN MCARTOR		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: KRISTIN A BOWEN		PHONE NUMBER:
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ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: kristinbowencomo@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:12 PM
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Any effort to eliminate taxes and tax revenues on items that are often (if not primarily) used only for entertainment and recreation is suspect. What other sports and hobbies are similarly exempt from sales taxes? Supplies for shooting sports and hunting should not be exempt from sales taxes any more than supplies for baseball and cake decorating are.



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WITNESS NAME: LARRY DENIO		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am opposed to this idea.



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WITNESS NAME: LAURA BURKHARDT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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EMAIL: laburkhardt3@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written		SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 9:18 PM
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I strongly urge the committee to vote no on HB2291. Eliminating sales tax for firearms and ammunition while hard-working Missourians pay sales tax for groceries, diapers, period products, etc... is absurd. This legislation does absolutely nothing to help the citizens of Missouri. I wish the bill sponsor would begin taking their job more seriously and think about the people he is there to serve.



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WITNESS NAME: LEE MICHAELYN		PHONE NUMBER:
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Guns are the leading cause of children's deaths in our nation. More guns does not mean we are safer. Republicans need to just admit they care more about guns than they do our children. These bills are a death sentence to our children.



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WITNESS NAME: LESLIE JONES		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: lesliejones.mo@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:53 AM
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I am in opposition to this bill. Can we please focus on relieving taxes on items that are **NECESSARY** for Missourians? Like groceries, diapers, feminine products (which are ridiculously considered a "luxury tax" even though they are necessary). We need to stop focusing on this obsession with guns and focus on the people in this state. Gun deaths and injuries cost Missouri \$17.6 billion each year and \$455 million is paid by the taxpayers. We could be using taxes from guns and ammo to go towards our gun problem rather than eliminating the tax completely.



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Guns cause injury and death that causes economic loss to companies and the government. Taxes on firearms can offset these economic losses.



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EMAIL: lgstinnett@kc.rr.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 1:18 PM
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They are commodities, just like other items for sale.



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WITNESS NAME: LONA M. HARRIS		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: lonaneil@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 8:44 PM
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I am strongly opposed to HB 2991. In a state where we continue to tax food, the most basic need of every citizen , and we have a legislator proposing removing taxes on guns and ammo just shows that priorities in Jeff City are messed up. With our state being ranked as the 7th deadliest state from gun violence and gun violence costing Missouri taxpayers \$455.3 million dollars a year (from everystat.org), it seems that the financially responsible thing to do would be to raise taxes on guns and ammo.



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EMAIL: lynnebock@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:21 AM
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WITNESS NAME: MARGARET E SHEA		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: meshea2154@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 8:18 AM

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I think guns and ammunition should be taxed heavily to cover the costs to care for the uninsured who end up needing medical care due to gun violence which is proliferating.



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WITNESS NAME: MARIANNE SALCICCIA		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: marianne.salciccia@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/7/2024 2:25 PM
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I am writing to express my opposition to HB 2291 exempting firearms and ammunition from sales tax. Those who purchase firearms and ammunition need to be subject to sales tax and contribute to the state general fund. Why on earth should this select group be given preferential treatment in their purchases and receive tax breaks? This is the wrong priority for MO when there are more deserving groups, like families and children, that deserve tax exemptions on items like diapers and food in order to survive. As a MO resident, I am against this bill and urge representatives to vote against it.



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WITNESS NAME: MARION MILLER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Guns and ammo should be taxed more heavily than everything else. This state has been de-taxed so much that we cannot afford to fund basic services. You will never attract more business to this state with these kind of regressive laws.



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WITNESS NAME: MARK BOYKO		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: mark.boyko@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:21 AM

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My family and I have wide variety of hobbies, such as going to the movies, playing tennis, and reading. For each of these hobbies, our purchases are subject to Missouri's sales tax. I oppose giving tax breaks to some hobbies but not others.



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WITNESS NAME: MARK GRAMLICH		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: 90gramlichm@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:56 PM
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I do not support this legislation.



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WITNESS NAME: MARVIN BODINE		PHONE NUMBER:
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Isn't her other things that deserve a tax break that's of greater need groceries. Diapers, childcare better roads. The list is endless.



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WITNESS NAME: MARY DEES		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL: marydeeshome@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 8:18 AM
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WITNESS NAME: MARY J STRACK		PHONE NUMBER:
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WHY- why exempt guns and ammunition from being taxed? This makes no sense. If you want to make something tax exempt try Groceries!!!!!!Diapers- baby food. This is ridiculous.



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WITNESS NAME: MARY V HASTINGS		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: mvhastings@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 10:40 AM

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AGAINST SALES TAX EXEMPTION for firearms and ammunition. Why should firearms be without taxes. This only shows the hold the corrupt gun lobby has on our state representatives. Take care of real problems in our state.



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EMAIL: marywaggener@yahoo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 9:41 PM
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I am opposed to a sales tax exemption for firearms and ammunition. Most firearms and ammunition are used for sport, which is a luxury. I think it would be more beneficial to working families to have a sales tax exemption for period products.



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WITNESS NAME: MARY WISSMANN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: marye.wissmann@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 5:07 PM
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These bills do nothing to address the gun violence problem that we have in Missouri, and in fact, make gun and ammunition ownership easier. I want legislators to care more about the children of Missouri than their political ambitions and affiliations. We all pay sales tax on food and our kids' diapers. Why should guns and ammunition be exempt?



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EMAIL: mdreyer93@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:25 PM
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I urge you to oppose HB 2291. Opposing the proposed bill necessitates a recognition of the potential exacerbation of the gun violence epidemic in our society. While proponents argue for an exemption of firearms and ammunition from state and local sales tax, it is essential to understand the far-reaching consequences this measure may have. The bill, in its current form, could inadvertently contribute to the proliferation of weapons without providing corresponding funding for effective measures to address the escalating issue of gun violence. Taxation serves as a crucial mechanism for funding essential public services, including law enforcement, mental health programs, and community outreach efforts aimed at preventing and mitigating the impact of gun-related incidents. Instead of affording preferential treatment to the firearms industry, our legislative priorities should focus on providing tax relief for necessary expenses, such as food, period products, and other essential commodities. Redirecting tax relief towards vital public safety measures, including mental health support and community outreach, is imperative for fostering a safer environment for all citizens. This bill, if passed, risks undermining these critical efforts and compromises the well-being of our communities in the face of a mounting public health crisis.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL J. SONNTAG		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: michaeljsonntag@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 11:50 AM
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As a resident in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, I am completely opposed to an exemption from sales tax for firearms and ammunition. I beg that you vote NO on HB 2291. Guns are already everywhere in my state, and in my home, we hear gunshots most nights - within earshot of my children's bedrooms. That's bad enough. Please do not make the situation worse by continuing this culture of death we find ourselves in by making it even easier to obtain these weapons - removing yet one more barrier to a purchase of guns or ammunition. If anything, we should be charging more tax for these items, not less. Please vote NO on HB 2291!



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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL KELLEY		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: michaelckelley22@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 5:34 PM

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It is disappointing that we're potentially on the brink of eliminating the sales tax on bullets before we eliminate the sales tax on diapers and period products. There has to be a better way. Please vote NO on HB 2291.



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WITNESS NAME: MINDY MCDERMOTT		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: mcdermott.ms@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 8:16 PM

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Why would we provide incentives for more gun owned?? We need less guns. And if you want a tax reduction, why wouldn't we reduce taxes on food or other necessities that all citizens could benefit from instead of catering to special interests. This bill needs to go away.



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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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EMAIL: nprice07@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 2:38 AM
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I am asking you to modify HB2291 to include other, more essential personal care items and groceries in this tax exemption bill. Missouri is one of only 13 states that still tax these items. I feel we need to examine which items are the more essential and fair items to make tax-exempt. Food and personal care items, including diapers and feminine hygiene products, are more necessary and have wider consumption demographics than guns and ammo. What message does this bill, as currently written, send to Missourians about our priorities and our compassion for our neighbors? Yes, our grocery and personal care tax revenue is substantial, but preferentially exempting guns, when most owners already have a gun, does not seem consistent with our vision for Missouri's values. Again, please also include tax exemption for more essential personal care items. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA C SILVER		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: pac1silver@icloud.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 9:33 AM

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I do not support the encouragement of multiple gun ownership which is promoted by this legislation. It promotes unhealthy lifestyles and and promotes an implicit societal approval of might is right. Please work to save our society rather than add to destruction of society.



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WITNESS NAME: PETER FISHER HESED		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: phesed@stmargaretstl.org	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/7/2024 5:18 PM
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I find the special exemption of firearms and ammunition from sales tax to be profoundly offensive. This equates weapons with religious exemption. The policy changes that we need regarding lethal weapons should make gun ownership encourage extreme responsibility. With every right comes a commensurate responsibility. We need no new laws that make gun ownership unquely simple and ubiquitous.



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WITNESS NAME: PHILIP C KNOCKE		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: jugglers@centurytel.net	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 11:20 AM
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WITNESS NAME: PRIYA PAL		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: priya.pal789@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 6:26 PM

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Dear Missouri House Representatives, I am writing in strong opposition to HB2991 and HB1708. We are only nine days into 2024 and there have already been 5 mass shootings, one school shooting, resulting in 5 deaths including that of a sixth grade child. There is clear evidence that shows that access to more guns does not curb violence, it only enables it. As a physician I have seen the damage that easy gun access can do to our community. I've seen children shoot themselves in the eye and brain from unlocked improperly stored guns, their lives forever changed. I've seen mass casualties in emergency rooms and patients in the ICU with limited chance of recovery from gun violence. Human beings are prone to emotion; people are bound to have bad days. When a person's anger and bad days are coupled with easy access to firearms- this is when mass casualties and homicides occur. As lawmakers, I implore you to think about what the consequence of reducing taxes on ammunition and guns will be on our community. Consider how much more unsafe public transit will become when folks can conceal and carry. I ride the train to work every day. At least once a week, someone has a "bad day" whether they get angry, curse, scream and even and even get into physical altercations with nearby passengers. Imagine how these incidents would end if multiple people on the train had guns- there would be an abundance of unintended victims and more mass shootings. In Missouri necessities like food and diapers are taxed. Why should guns and ammunition be tax free? As elected representatives your task is to help the community you serve. Allowing easy access to guns and ammunition on public transit while making them tax free is not going to do anything but harm the folks who elected you. Please vote in opposition to these bills and keep Missouri safe. Sincerely, Dr. Priya Pal, MD PhD



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WITNESS NAME: R. ALAN JONAGAN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: alan.jonagan1@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 2:55 PM
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Why in the world would gun/ammunition buyers get this kind of preferential treatment? Why not shoes? Books? Children's toys? Cabinets? Tape measures? At least non of these cause the carnage that gun violence does. Does it make any sense, whatsoever, to not collect sales taxes on items that end up costing the state so much.



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WITNESS NAME: RACHAEL KAUCHER		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: rachaelizabeth7@hotmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:26 PM
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I have to pay taxes for food and other basic necessities like diapers and clothes. Guns are not a necessity and should continue to be taxed. Actually, the sales tax for guns should be higher.



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WITNESS NAME: RACHEL NOELLE TAYLOR		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: rachel.haverstick@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:29 PM
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There is no reason to exempt firearms and ammunition from sales tax. This is a performative act that will benefit no one and result in more danger to the public, and fewer barriers to mass shooters who want to get weapons.



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WITNESS NAME: RACHEL WEBB		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: raychwrites@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 1:52 PM
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Firearms and ammunition should be taxed, unlike food, diapers, prescriptions and other items essential to life. if people are interested in firearms for recreation, then they should be taxed like any other sporting good. We pay sales tax on our bicycles, daughter's karate equipment, fishing poles and other items we use for recreation. If we purchase a home security system, we would also pay sales tax on that. Neither of the bills discussed today will improve safety in our state. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: RAVINDER MANKOO		PHONE NUMBER:
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Why can our state not lead the way towards a safer society with reasonable and common sense gun reform laws? Rather, our representatives choose to focus on an out of context interpretation of the second amendment in order to boost their political accolades and further the careers/deepen their pockets. Innocent Americans suffer as our conservative representatives lack the courage to lead.



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WITNESS NAME: REGINA BODINE		PHONE NUMBER:
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I would like to ensure that we make it more difficult for firearms and ammunition to be purchased by irresponsible gunowners or criminals



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WITNESS NAME: RICHARD SHEETS		PHONE NUMBER: 573-635-9134	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: MISSOURI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE		TITLE: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
ADDRESS: 1727 SOUTHRIDGE DRIVE			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65109
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: 1/9/2024 12:00 AM	
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WITNESS NAME: RIKE REUTER-HART		PHONE NUMBER:
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We have too much gun violence. We do not need to reduce our tax revenue and at the same time make access to guns easier for untrained people to possess firearms. Legislators should focus on efforts to reduce gun violence and keep our citizens safe. I want my grandson to grow up in state that prioritizes safety over guns.



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I am opposed to all aspects of this bill. Why on earth would anyone exempt sales tax from firearms and ammunition while at the same time taxing food?



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This is ridiculous posturing.



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I do not see the purpose of exempting firearms and ammunition from sales tax. These taxes provide revenues that benefit communities.



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WITNESS NAME: RYAN TINKER		PHONE NUMBER:
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If we have to pay sales tax on necessities, then anyone who wants to purchase a firearm should damn sure have to pay sales tax on it. In fact, there should be more taxes and fees associated with purchasing and owning a firearm. This bill is yet another ridiculous bit of garbage from the party so nothings and know nothings.



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WITNESS NAME: SHARI FRANK		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in complete opposition to this bill. Missourians pay sales taxes on necessities like groceries, and there is no reason guns or ammunition should be exempt from sales tax.



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WITNESS NAME: SHERRY L BUCHANAN		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: sherryb@joplinlawyers.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 1/8/2024 10:45 AM

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Please do not forward HB 2291 out of committee. The MO Legislature should be increasing taxes and fees on firearms and ammunition to offset the incredible costs of gun violence in our state. Exempting firearms and ammunition from taxes would be parallel to exempting cigarettes, alcohol, marijuana and other potentially harmful items that cost MO taxpayers lots of money (e.g., costs of law enforcement and health care). This proposal is especially egregious considering that we pay taxes on groceries, supplies for healthy living, gasoline, and other necessities. There is no excuse for exempting guns and ammunition from taxes.



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WITNESS NAME: STEPHANIE GREENWOOD		PHONE NUMBER:
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In Missouri we tax nearly everything, including diapers and feminine hygiene products. It is offensive to gun owners and non gun owners that we would stop taxing gun purchases. Guns should be taxed just like any other purchases in the state.



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Likewise, exempting ammunition and firearms from sales tax creates an unfair advantage to those markets compared with other merchants and industries. Private, for-profit businesses should all be subject to sales tax, otherwise we are not treating people equally under the law. And we would be further depleting state revenues that are needed to pay for vital services.



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I see no reason to make firearms and ammunition tax exempt. I have to pay tax on groceries!



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I am totally opposed to HB 2291 because it is totally shameful and ludicrous. How such a House bill could be worthy of a hearing in the Missouri legislature is beyond credible justification. Do you allow taxes on food, baby formula, medical needs and equipment? Why don't supporters of this proposed bill look FIRST to relieve it's poor and marginalized citizens of taxes on products essential to their daily lives, instead of trying to give relief to people who purchase items that can kill?



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Firearms and ammunition are not a necessity. How much money will the state lose with this change? How much money will schools and other programs lose with this change? Why not use this tax money to improve concealed carry, background checks? Unless you stop women paying taxes on feminine products that are needed monthly, this bill should not go forward.



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There is absolutely no reason why these items should be exempt from sales tax.



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I don't want firearms or ammunition to be tax free.



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My name is the Rev. Dr. Teresa Danieleley. I serve as Priest Associate at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in the City of St. Louis and as the Missioner for Public Advocacy for the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri. I am also the mother of 3 young children. I am writing in opposition to HB 2291. We are drowning in guns and ammunition in Missouri. We do not need to make it easier to access or any cheaper. Will bullets be available for sale next to gum in the check out aisle next? Please repent of this idolatry. Value the lives of human beings over the owning of instruments of death. Thank you.



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Against this preferential treatment of the gun culture when we ALREADY have enough problems in our state with gun related injuries and deaths.



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I strongly oppose HB 2291. There are many other items that are necessities of life that should be considered for sales tax exemptions. Instead I recommend that these people have to pay sales tax. They need to keep their receipts. At the point in which they purchase a gun safe or other firearm safety items then they can submit all receipts to receive a tax refund. This encourages and supports them to purchase required safety items. The tax refund should be less than or equal to the money spent on purchasing safety items.



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HB2291 is unsupportable on any front. There is no reasonable basis to entertain granting an exemption on a sales tax for firearms and ammunition sold in this state. Other state tax exemptions have a direct connection to the health, safety and general welfare of the people of Missouri. Do not pass HB2291 out of committee.