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Greetings:

I urge you in the strongest terms to vote no on SB 63, which seems ill-conceived and dangerous.

I also oppose its companion, HB 61.

As I understand, it would "prohibit the governor, a state agency, or a municipality from taking any action during a declared disaster emergency to restrict the possession, use or sale of a firearm, firearm accessory, ammunition or other weapon. This needlessly and dangerously ties the hand of the state and city governments and law enforcement who are charged with protecting public safety during a disaster emergency."

I agree with other opponents that: "In disaster situations, leaders must be able to move quickly, respond to unpredictable conditions, and take decisive actions to protect public health and safety. For example, it could be important to limit possession or use of firearms in certain areas to prevent them from being stolen, or to ensure safety in public shelters managed by the military, a government agency or the Red Cross. This bill seems to prevent law enforcement from taking these and other common sense steps to provide for public safety."

Please reject this foolish and dangerous bill.

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