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## Hb25-1133

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To: committees.lcs.ga@coleg.gov

Thu, Feb 13, 2025 at 1:01 PM

How is this bill helping anything this just makes problems for law abiding citizens. Vote NO on this bill. How has this state gotten to the point it just harasses it's citizens. Instead of making the criminals pay for their issues.

Cevin begshaw  
From grand junction colorado

HB25-1133 as Introduced

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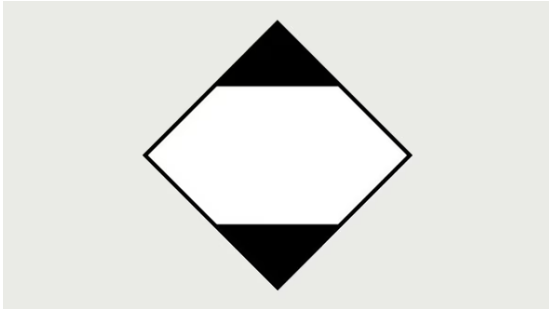
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identified on two sides with a white diamond with the top and bottom points colored black. Third, it is illegal to label such packages as containing ammunition.



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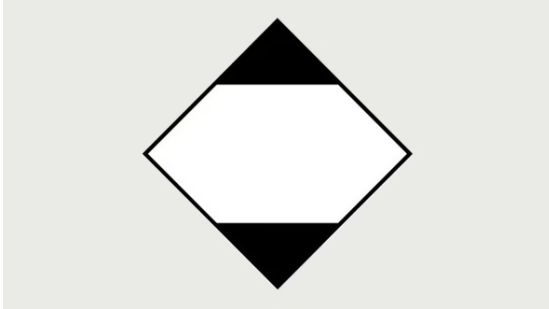
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**Testimony in opposition to: HB25-1133 Requirements for Sale of Ammunition  
The Firearms Coalition of Colorado**

Thank you, Chair and Committee

My name is Robert Edmiston. I am with the Firearms Coalition of Colorado an NRA-affiliated, all-volunteer, grassroots organization dedicated to the protection of individual rights and public safety.

I am a former U.S. Army Officer and Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor. I have a Master's Degree in Psychology, Counseling and Guidance.

I am writing in opposition to the measure under consideration.

The primary concern that we have with this bill is that we believe it violates the US and Colorado Constitutions with its prohibition on the sale of ammunition to anyone under the age of 21. The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals recently struck down a law banning handgun sales to persons under 21, concluding that the government had not provided significant evidence of an historical analog to the legislation during the period of the founding of our Republic.

[US ban on gun sales to adults under age 21 is unconstitutional, court rules.](#)

Since the ability to obtain and use ammunition is a key component of the individual right to armed self-defense under both the US and the Colorado Constitutions, it follows that this restriction on the sale of ammunition to citizens in that age group is also prohibited. We are also concerned with the moral contradiction inherent in such laws caused by the fact that 18-21 year old individuals are considered mature enough to fight and die for their country in the military, but that they are not mature enough to be able to defend themselves and their families in a civilian setting.

We urge a "No" vote on this bill.

Thank you.

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## HB25-1133 Requirements For Sale Of Ammunition & Reloading Supplies

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Wed, Feb 12, 2025 at 4:13 PM

Dear General Assembly,

Why does the government think it's OK to bully the gun owners of its state? It's a constitutional violation at the least.

You tell women to protect ourselves, yet you now want to take away resources that we use to protect ourselves with. Food off of our tables since hunting is a vital source of food for many of us. You will lose a lot of money brought into the state from hunters. From tags, to purchasing many supplies needed while out hunting, lodging, retail, etc...

If this passes, I promise a lot of people will graciously take our money and spend it elsewhere, because it will not be in the state of Colorado.

Respectfully,

Marion Chamberlin

Representative,

I am reaching out about the proposed piece of legislation HB25-1133 Requirements for ammo purchasing. I urge you to oppose this. This bill would hurt many people & businesses in Colorado, many come to this great state to Hunt and by law some of those people are under the age of 21. Many could be 18 years old traveling from another state choosing to spend money that would be taxed at our local outdoor sporting stores. This would also affect those who are able to own a firearm under 21 to protect themselves, if you are old enough to carry a gun in the military you are old enough to protect your home with one. Let's not forget about the many law-abiding immigrants in our state who are trying to get through the process to become a citizen while trying to protect their families. The licensing scheme would affect those people and their families as well which is very similar to Jim Crow style poll taxes. This law would also break federal laws by going against the FPLA & interstate commerce due to labeling and the rules it would impose on the carriers. This would also affect Federal law 49 C.F.R. § 172 (Hazardous Materials). Breaking Federal DOT & State DOT laws including laws that regulate flying to transport depending on where these products are shipped from and how they are shipped. I don't see how a judge would even want to get into this nightmare of breaking many Federal & State laws, this could lead to other states including the Federal government suing the state of Colorado for unsafe practices. We also run into the issue of the 4<sup>th</sup> amendment & Postal privacy law which would create even more issues. This proposed bill will not only hurt the taxable income in our state but also cost the citizens of Colorado too much money paying for the lawsuits that will surely be expensive because of the amount of laws this will break Federally and at the state level. Oppose HB25-1133 at all costs or next time we see your name on the ballot as a supporter we will find another representative who listens.

Regards,

Benjamin O'Loughlin