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RE: SB 223, School Employees authorized to use Concealed Firearms Permits on School Property

Dear Chairman Segerblom and members of Senate Judiciary Committee,

The Nevada Firearms Coalition is dedicated to the safe use of firearms for self-defense, competition, recreation and hunting. We are a Nevada grassroots organization representing the firearms owners of Nevada. We are the State Association for the National Rifle Association, and a member of the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

SB 223 bill will allow employees to carry concealed firearms on their job site if they have a valid Concealed Firearms Permit as authorized by Nevada Revised Statutes. Due to the incidents of rage violence at locations of "gun free zones" it is necessary for citizens to have the ability to defend themselves and others. Prohibiting firearms on school property by law abiding citizens makes the schools prime targets for those with mental or rage issues. Dr. John Lott's book "More Guns, Less Crimes" strongly documents the fact that criminals go to areas for their crimes where they will meet no resistance. Although we believe all permitted citizens should be allowed to exercise their rights on school property, this bill is a big step forward to protecting our children and other innocent citizens.

We strongly support for this bill, and request that you pass it out of your committee and allow it a vote of the Senate.

Sincerely,

Don Turner, President