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RE: AB 217

Steve Yeager, Chair
Assembly Judiciary Committee
Nevada State Assembly

Dear Chair Yeager;

The Nevada Firearms Coalition STRONGLY SUPPORTS AB 217 for the following reasons:

Many times when people obtain a Temporary Order of Protection (TOP), the immediate threat to them is real. There are documented circumstances where a person under TOP was murdered while waiting for their application for a carry permit to be approved. As we know, the courts have ruled that the police have no duty to protect individuals. If a person is facing a violent threat to the extent they need a TOP and wish to obtain a concealed carry permit, it is necessary that the permit be issued as soon as possible.

We find a flaw in the language of this bill. Currently firearms dealers can call the Central Repository for a background check within a 10 minute period. This same system should be used for issuance of a concealed carry permit by persons with a TOP. We therefore suggest that NRS 202.366. 3 be further amended as follows:

3. If the applicant, including an applicant for renewal of a permit pursuant to NRS 202.3677, provides with the application proof that the applicant has obtained an order for protection that is effect, the sheriff shall ~~give priority to the applicant in processing the application.~~ process and grant or deny the permit within five business days.

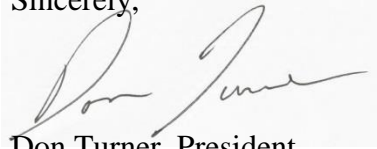
In addition, we support the reduction of time to report court adjudications of prohibited possessions for mental reasons as specified in this bill to the Central Repository from “five” to *no later than 3 business days.*

In all Nevada laws, we are opposed to citing Federal code to provide definitions of devices or crimes. If federal law changes, the original intent of the Nevada Statute could be changed without legislative action. In this bill, prohibited possessor is defined by federal code (18 U.S.C 922(d)(4) or (g)(4) {re NRS 159.0593 1} , whereas Nevada’s law for prohibited possessors(NRS

202.360 Ownership or possession by certain persons prohibited; penalties) may be different than the cited federal code.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment,

Sincerely,



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The Nevada Firearms Coalition is dedicated to the safe use of firearms for self-defense, competition, recreation and hunting. We are the statewide Nevada grassroots organization representing the firearms owners of Nevada. Our membership includes individuals, gun clubs, community organizations, and retail firearm corporations and ranges. We are the State Association for the National Rifle Association, and a member of the National Shooting Sports Foundation, USA Shooting and the Civilian Marksman Program.