

February 10, 2023

Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer ProtectionSenate Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military AffairsHearing Time:10:00 a.m.Location:State CapitolRe:SB 33, Relating to Firearms Ammunition

Aloha e Chair Keohokalole, Chair Wakai, and members of the Committee:

We are writing in strong support of SB 33, Relating to Firearms Ammunition.

This bill will require the licensing of sellers of ammunition, and for the identification and proper permitting of purchasers or possessors of ammunition; and regulate ammunition in the same manner that firearms are regulated.

Every single day, more than 110 people in the United States are killed with guns and more than 200 are shot and wounded (Everytown for Gun Safety). And in 2021, the most recent year with full data released, gun deaths reached their highest level in at least 40 years, with 48,830 deaths in that year alone (Giffords Law Center). As you read this testimony, in this very moment, people are dying. Children are dying. You can spend days going through the statistics that depict the plague of gun violence in America. And let's not forget the invisible effects, too – the emotional and mental trauma inflicted on victims and witnesses. Gun violence, in every way possible, destroys lives.

Regulating ammunition is just as important as regulating firearms. Without ammunition, firearms are no more dangerous than any blunt object, causing some scholars to refer to ammunition as the "actual agent of harm" in gun violence (Giffords Law Center). Mass shootings are instances in which the danger of unregulated ammunition is most clear. Though Hawai'i does not suffer from mass shootings to the degree that the continent does, that does not mean that the threat is not imminent. Taking preventative measures now is vital. **Do not wait until it's too late.**

Gun violence has become its own epidemic. But like disease, this sickness can be treated. With strict gun and ammunition laws and strong enforcement, we can protect our community from senseless gun violence and deaths. We need to take action, and we need to do it now. **Please, help us save lives.**

Students Demand Action (SDA) is a national organization of high school and college-aged activists committed to ending gun violence. When lawmakers offered thoughts and prayers but little meaningful action after the 2018 mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, students across the country came together to make our voices heard. SDA started in 2016 as a pilot program and, with a sense of urgency, was launched as a national initiative within two weeks of the Parkland shooting. Because what could be more urgent than fixing the errors in our system that have cost so many young people their lives? SDA now has more than 500 groups across the country and active volunteers in every state and D.C. As the SDA Hawai'i Chapter, we focus our efforts on legislative action, community outreach and education, and organizing.

Please support SB 33.

Mahalo nui loa,

Leah Delos Santos President and Co-Founder Students Demand Action Hawai'i <u>leahds@hawaii.edu</u>

IN SUPPORT

Indivisible Hawaii supports SB 33.

The following comments are limited to aspects of HRS 134 pertaining to ammunition and do not address other proposed amendments to HRS 134 in other pending bills.

SECTION 2

134 new section

We agree with the requirement that ammunition and shell casings can only be sold to registered owners (or their designated alternate) of the firearm for which the ammunition or shell casings are being purchased. This prevents ammo from reaching unregistered weapons and illegal weapons.

(a) ... For on-line purchases, a scanned copy of the registration and identification shall be sufficient for compliance with this section...

However, there should be no online sales. There is no way to verify that the person submitting the scanned copy of the registration and identification is in fact the person they present themselves to be. Stolen or "borrowed" documents could easily be used to buy online.

SECTION 4

134-4

(d) No person shall knowingly lend a firearm or transfer ammunition to any person who is prohibited from ownership or possession of a firearm under section 134-7. No person shall knowingly transfer possession of ammunition or shell casings to a person who is not a registered owner of a firearm for which the ammunition or shell casings can be used.

It is not enough that the recipient not be disqualified under 134-7, they must actually be a registered owner of a compatible firearm. This prevents unregistered owners (including owners of stolen and ghost guns) from getting ammunition from people who bought legitimately.

SECTION 7

134-33 Punishment for violations of section 134-32. Any person who manufactures or sells any firearms or ammunition within the State without having a valid license so to do, or who being a holder of a license violates any of the terms or conditions of the same, shall be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not less than three months nor more than one year; provided that this section shall not apply to a registered owner of a firearm who manufactures ammunition solely for personal use for the firearms registered in the registered owner's name; this proviso is void if a person manufactures ammunition and transfers it to any other person.

The exemption for making one's own ammunition cannot be an end-run to go into ammunition manufacturing and supply for one's friends and neighbors.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 9:37:44 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
cheryl B.	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I SUPPORT this bill which requires the licensing of sellers of ammunition, and for the identification and proper permitting of purchasers or possessors of ammunition. Regulates ammunition in the same manner that firearms are regulated.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 9:37:58 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brian Isaacson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This bill will only affect honest citizens and is fraught with problems. Criminals will ignore the law. This bill is designed to thwart the ability of honest citizens to avail themselves to ammunition for both modern and antique firearms, and severely curtail the number of ammunition sellers, thus being back door gun control. Criminals will get their ammunition illegally, the same way they get illegal fireworks and drugs.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 10:18:29 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kevin Kacatin	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in absolute opposition to SB33. Previous attempts at similar measures failed in past Legislative Sessions as many logistical issues were brought to light.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 10:20:34 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Klayton Kubo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Strongly in opposition

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 12:31:47 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Marcus Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

This is just adding in more red tape. This will not deter a criminal who is already prohibited from having ammo AND PROHIBITED from possing a gun. So if they're already have a gun illegally, this won't stop them from acquiring ammo. They can just ask someone for it.

Felons are also prohibited from entering gun stores entirely. So again, this law doesn't stop a felon.

Your opening statement of firearm permits are effective is not true either. How many felons are buying a gun from a gun store in states that don't have a permit to acquire? The answer is almost zero because NICS checks are done on purchases.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 12:58:17 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alan Urasaki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I stand opposed to this measure. Thank you.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 1:05:31 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Douglas C. Moose	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

There has never been such a restriction on ammunition in Hawaii. As far as i can tell, the only reason this is being proposed is in retaliation for the Bruen decision by SCOTUS to force Hawaii to issue concealed carry licenses to the public.

There is no logical reason to deny ammunition sales to someone who does not own a certain caliber firearm. Perhaps the person is giving the ammo as a gift? Repaying someone for letting them shoot their firearm at a range? Taking advantage of a promotional discount for ammo they will need for a firearm they are in the process of purchasing, which can take weeks for the permit to acquire?

If someone collects empty brass cartridges at the range for their own use, and wishes to sell the calibers they collected but do not need, how is this reasonable?

It appears this is yet another proposed bill to make gun ownership more diffiecult and expensive in Hawaii. I strenuously oppose such a bill whilchj has no basis in actual statistics to show it is effective in deterring crime.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 1:16:15 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrew Crossland	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this Bill.

TESTIMONY OF ELLEN GODBEY CARSON IN SUPPORT OF SB 33

I write in strong support of SB 33

While I write as an individual, I have served as president of the Hawaii State Bar Association, and Hawaii Women Lawyers. In these capacities, I have strived to strike the right balance for safety of our community and protection of individual rights. I believe SB 33 strikes that right balance.

I support SB 33 because it creates a concrete way to better protect our community, by restricting ammunition sales to persons with a properly registered firearm that is designed to use the specific ammunition being purchased. The bill also permits a registered gun owner to formally designate one person as an alternate person to purchase ammunition for that firearm. There is no justification to permit others to purchase ammunition, as they are not registered owners for the firearms for which the ammunition is designed.

While this is just one tool to help prevent gun violence, it helps address the critical supply line for ammunition. In our community's experience with gun violence, gun deaths, gun suicides and gun accidents, we sometimes learn the firearm was illegally owned. While we work to minimize the number of illegal firearms, we can, by this bill, also work to reduce the ammunition needed to make those illegal firearms become lethal.

Thank you for your consideration of my testimony and helping protect our community.

Ellen Godbey Carson Honolulu, Hawaii

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 2:23:09 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
L. Richard Fried, Jr.	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

this bill is very important so HI doesn't become like most other states where mass shootings are common. My law firm represented victims of the last mass shooting by the crazy Xerox employeee decades ago. Rick Fried

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 2:28:21 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jacob Holcomb	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

What's the point of this bill? To create more black markets and profit opportunites for organized crime? This bill certainly won't improve public safety, and I dare any of those who introduced it to prove that it will have any positive effect on crime whatsoever. It's beyond irresponsible that in the middle of a crime wave we would encourage cirminals to follow legitimate gun owners home and rob them for ammo. How about enforcing the laws on the books and stop letting violent offenders out over and over again?

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 2:45:38 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gavin Lohmeier	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

strongly oppose SB33. this is too restrictive. this won't have any effect on gun crimes at all

sincerely,

Gavin Lohmeier

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 2:52:06 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ryan Arakawa	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This bill does nothing to reduce crime and adds unnecessary work for goverment departments that will have to track and issue permits. Wasting tax dollars simply to harass gun owners is idiotic

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 2:54:01 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Layne Hazama	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Attempts at backdoor application of firearm regulation on ammunition. Federal firearm regulations currently already have specific and restrictive language.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 2:55:08 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
David Soon	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a hobbyist who makes his own ammunition. It is sometimes necessary to buy raw material to make an unusual caliber or cartridge. Another problem with this bill is the burden of record keeping. Many decades ago I had a part time business supplying economical practice ammunition and accesories to HPD, State Sheriff's and even some Federal agents. They were so grateful for the service I provided. We had to keep FEDERAL records of who bought ammunition. After doing this for a few years, the FEDERAL government decided it was a waste of time and money to continue with this onerous task. They DISCONTINUED this requirement. To summarize, this scheme was tried before and deemed fruitless. One of my favorite sayings is that if you forget the past you are condemned to keep making the same mistakes. This was only about 30 years ago. How quickly people forget.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 3:24:01 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jane Davis	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Cold medicines are more heavily regulated than firearm ammunition.

 \cdot Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased, can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

 \cdot This bill already has a provision to allow a registered gun owner to formally designate one alternate person to purchase ammunition on their behalf. There is no justification for other persons to purchase ammunition when they do not hold a required gun registration.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 3:28:53 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Raymund Bragado	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I'm a retired veteran with 2 combat tours to Iraq 2003 & 2008. Please support the Constitution, 2nd Amendment, this bill is an infringement to our citizens.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 3:29:24 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Blaine Stuart	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Ammo is protected by the Second Amendment. Any ammo related law must provide a historical analog that shows that the law is rooted in the history, text and tradition of the Second Amendment when it was ratified in 1791. This law fails that test. There is no historical analog. If this law passes it will likely be immediately enjoined.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 3:34:28 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Joan White	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chairs and Vice Chairs, PSM & CPN

Since the Supreme Court decided that Hawaii must allow people to carry concealed guns, it is essential that we put in place safety measures to ensure that only those with a license are able to purchase ammunition. Without guardrails for this activity, it would be easy for those with access to a gun, such as in households where guns are not kept under lock and key, to purchase ammunition. Without this law, the entire purpose of licensing concealed carry gun owners would be negated. I urge you to pass this bill, helping to ensure public safety.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 3:40:06 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Coralie Matayoshi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly support Bill 33 to prohibit the sale of ammunition to a person who does not have a required registration for the firearm for which they are seeking to purchase ammunition. This is a huge loophole that needs to be closed.

Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased, can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

This bill already has a provision to allow a registered gun owner to formally designate one alternate person to purchase ammunition on their behalf. There is no justification for other persons to purchase ammunition when they do not hold a required gun registration.

Please pass this bill to help safeguard our community from gun violence, suicides by gun, and accidental gun deaths.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:03:46 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Nancy Taylor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Ammunition should only be able to be purchased by registered gun owners who lawfully own a firarm and who are purchasing the type of ammunition for use in that particular firarm. Period.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:12:39 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Judith White	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Regulating sales of ammunition is a critical part of firearm safety. Please pass!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:13:15 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Linda Legrande	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please support this bill to keep our keiki & kupuna safe! Thank you, Linda Legrande

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:14:23 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
jason wolford	Individual	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

My name I Jason Wolford I'm wright you today in strongly opposition to sb33.

This bill requires you to present you registration for your firearm to prove you have that caliber firearm to purchase ammunition. This is a direct violation of HRS 134-3 3(b) only police department, judges' courts are allowed to demand these papers from you. This would just create a gun registration that could expose peoples personal and confidential information.

Maui county tried something similar requiring all gun owners show registration to use the gun range in Maui. After they passed the rule the range was shut down because no one would work and ask for the registration and face a lawsuit. After much push back and it was shown that this is illegal under state law. I will also attach a copy of that letter from Maui County saying that it can not ask for such proof.

Also, under ss134-32 (3) allows for the government to seize guns and ammunition at and time of national emergency or crisis or by order of the governor. This was tried recently during the covid pandemic. May states tried this, and they were found unconstitutional.

How is this not in conflict with Act 96 The 2010 Hawaii Legislature passed a bill making it unlawful for any government agency to confiscate lawfully possessed forearms from individuals under natural disaster circumstances.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:28:57 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kathleen Triolo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

We do not want the gun violence in Hawaii that grips the US continent!

I support Hawaii's efforts to have strict firearms laws to help safeguard our community from gun violence, suicides by gun, and accidental gun deaths.

I support restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased, can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

This bill already has a provision to allow a registered gun owner to formally designate one alternate person to purchase ammunition on their behalf. There is no justification for other persons to purchase ammunition when they do not hold a required gun registration.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:38:43 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Randy Cheung	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 4:49:24 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jennifer Taylor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

We support strict gun laws to limit, wherever possible, the carrying of arms by private citizens. The data from studies and from emergency rooms across the country is clear that more guns result in the deaths of children, increased deaths from domestic violence and violence in public places.

This bill is a reasonably structure limitation on the sale of ammunition which would require the buyer to actually have a registered firearm for the ammunition being purchased. It needs to be one of the pillars of public safety to protect our community.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 5:00:58 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
karolle t. bidgood	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support the proposed amendments as reflected in SB33. These are reasonable requirements and help ensure that gun permittees will act responsibly.

I urge your committee to approve these proposed changes.

Thank you.

Karolle T. (Josie) Bidgood

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 5:08:25 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Samuel Webb	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose, because this is a harrasment Bill, this is like taking your registration to to gas station to make sure your car is up to date, before being aloud to by gas.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 5:16:59 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Shane I	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 5:41:38 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jun Look	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support SB 33. I believe that laws to manage the acces to ammunition is a key to sensible gun control policy.

This bill addresses accountibility and links the ammo to the owner of the gun.

Easy to enforce. Sensible direction.

Mahalo.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 6:20:30 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
B.A. McClintock	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please support this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 7:11:36 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Myron Hoefer	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am opposed to every aspect of proposed SB33, particularly the restrictions on the sale of ammunition casings. Those provisions are impractical for the following reasons. Any person is free to pick up fired casings at the shooting ranges in the state. Probably hundreds if not thousands of fired casings are left behind at each range every day to be scavenged in a number of ways. Regulating this activity in an effective manner will be impossible. In addition many firearms are chambered for multiple cartridges, but are registered only as a single caliber. For example a handgun registered for the .357 magnum cartridge can also be used and often is to chamber and fire the 38 Special and 38 Short Colt cartridges as well, which both require different casings. I ask that the committee please defer this bill. Thank you.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 7:46:07 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bernardo Soriano	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. Hawaii residents already go through a thorough permitting process to acquire a firearm. This bill is redundant and a waste of time, resources, and money. if a law abiding citizen is already vetted to own a handgun, why do they have to go and prove again they are "ok" to purchase ammunition for said firearm? Does HPD have adequate resources to enforce this bill if it becomes law? Is there hard evidence that regulating ammunition has significantly impacted gun related offenses? criminals do not care what the law is, they will still commit crimes. Making the process for law abiding citizens more and more difficult to exercise their constitutional right will not stop criminals from commiting crimes. This bill will not have any impact on gun related crimes

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 8:06:18 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Joel Berg	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This bill is a waste of time and money. It creates bureaucracy, distracts from enforcement efforts that would produce actual harm reduction, and presents a trivial hurdle to even an unmotivated individual who might choose to obtain ammunition for an unregistered firearm. This law would be harassment, disguised as busy work for retailers, legal gun owners, and most importantly, law enforcement.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 8:15:55 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dillon Hullinger	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support this Senate Bill

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 9:39:08 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
NOAH DRAZKOWSKI	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 9:41:54 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Samuel M. Aquino Jr.	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Hello,

I am writing this testimony to say I OPPOSE SB33. It is yet another infringement of our rights as responsible 2A advocates. We should not have to bring copies of our registration(s) to purchase firearm ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 10:03:24 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
GENER MACARAEG	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I oppose and against SB33.

This bill goes against The Second Amendment which grants citizens that right, and giving them the ability to defend themselves and their property. The right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

This bill will help criminals instead of law abiding citizens. This bill will not help or prevent crimes from criminals.

Thank you,

Gener Macaraeg

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 10:53:15 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ed Au	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose SB33. Vote No! Honest sellers and buyers of ammunition are not delayed in purchasing ammunition for self defense and training. All this will do is prevent law abiding citizens from training. You will be destroying a business by having them have another requirement.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2023 10:56:23 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
kimo galon	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB33,

1) Hawaii is already one of the most restrictive states for gun laws and yet we are having a rise in crime involving and not involving firearms. A criminal will not walk in to a gun shop and purchase a gun and will not do so to buy ammunition. They will simply get the ammunition from who provided the illegal firearm.

2) How will HPD regulate and enforce this law? Will they stand outside the gun shop and scan receipts as they do in Costco? HPD does not have the man power for this and it is a drain on our hard earned tax money

3) This bill failed to pass in the previous legislation.

4) Licensing requirements for shops will only hinder small businesses and continue to drive out our small businesses to closing. We saw this happen during the pandemic. Our government claims to be for the people and our small businesses but they are really for BIG BOX companies and destroying Hawaii's economy and community.

5) We should concentrate on hiring more officers paying teachers a livable salary, cleaning up our streets, and diversifying our economy before us talk about anything else.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:12:16 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brent Uemae	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Wakai and Members of the Committee,

I'm writing in opposition to SB 33. I disagree with the statement used in the beginning of the bill, "ammunition used in firearms is what renders firearms dangerous". It is the criminal operating the firearm that could be dangerous. Firearms and ammunition rarely discharge on their own.

§134- Ammunition purchase; proof of registration; exception. (a) No person shall sell ammunition or shell casings for any firearm unless the purchaser first demonstrates that the purchaser:

(1) Is the registered owner of the firearm for which the ammunition or shell casings are to be purchased; or

(2) Has been designated by the registered owner of the firearm as the alternate for ammunition purchases on the registration pursuant to section 134-3.

This seems to eliminate any person to person sale of ammunition because firearm registration information shall remain confidential based on the requirements below.

All registration data that would identify the individual registering the firearm by name or address shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed to anyone, except as may be required:

(1) For processing the registration;

(2) For database management by the Hawaii criminal justice data center;

(3) By a law enforcement agency for the lawful performance of its duties; or

(4) By order of a court.

If a person wanted to test fire another person's firearm at a shooting range, would it then be considered illegal for the firearm owner to accept any payment from the shooter to financially reimburse them for any ammunition used? During the peak of COVID, there was an extreme shortage of ammunition. If there was another shortage in the future, this bill seems like it could make it illegal for someone to sell any ammunition to a family member or friend who may not be able to acquire it from another source.

134-4 Transfer, possession of firearms and ammunition

"No person shall possess any firearm or ammunition that is owned by another, regardless of whether the owner has consented to possession of the firearm or ammunition therefor, without a permit from the chief of police of the appropriate county, except as provided in subsection (c) and section 134—5."

What is the method of tracking ownership of ammunition? There are no individualized markings on each cartridge or on the ammunition box. Is the expectation to have police departments track each individual cartridge in the ammunition box through registration?

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:13:33 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gaye Chan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:53:10 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Daniel Wang	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am writing to oppose sb33. This bill will only serve to make it more difficult, tedious, and expensive for law abiding citizens and businesses to purchase ammunition. Much the way of fireworks in this state, this bill will do nothing to stop criminals from obtaining or making their own ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:36:45 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
J. Ching	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Strongly oppose addiing all parts of ammunition to this bill. In addition, this bill is so restrictive to only naming one alternate. Being part of a shooting club, there are many times where a few members will purchase ammo in bulk for other club members to use. Not just one person is designated to purchase ammo. Due to current shortage and increasing cost of ammunition, not many members currently have the time to shop around and pick up ammo on their own. This will make it harder for competition shooters to acquire the necessary ammo to be able to participate in national matches. Please oppose this bill. Thank you.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 3:03:44 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bradd Haitsuka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am writing in opposition to this bill, it is uneccessary and a burden to law abiding firarms owners and yet another attack to gun owners rights.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:43:23 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Karen Sullivan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to register my strong support for SB33, an excellently crafted bill which would restrict ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased. By passing this law, you can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who own illegal guns. Common sense dictates that firearm ammunition must be responsibly regulated.

I strongly support SB33 and urge the passing of this piece of legislation.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:21:35 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Daniel Baston	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha board members,

I am Writing today in opposition to this bill SB33. This bill would render one's concealed carry permit useless with such broad definitions used. This bill is a carbon copy of other states' bills trying to restrict our right theat the US supreme court ruled in the BruinVS New Yoirk case this summersaid you can not makeevery area a sensitive place. New Jersey and New York. that have tried passing bills like this are now dealing with lawsuits and have been ruled by more thn 3 judges to be unconstitutional and that this does not meet the text and history test the supreme court said must have been in place when the seond amendment was written.

This bill will also be in the courts and will not hold up to the text and histroy tests when the second amendment was made law.

Another point is that requiring policce to cconduct interviews of a concealed carry license applicant along with 3 reeferrence people for the police to verify you are a "good poersion" is an unreassonable task for the police departments. Many to most are so understaffed currently, especially here in Maui, it takes 4 months to get a permit approved. adding more steps will only delay someone's ability to get a permit and could open the country up to lawsuits for constitutionalright delayed being a right denied.

There needs to be timeline for the application to be approved or denied. It takes 14 days to do a bakground check to acquire a firearm. It should not take that much longerfor a concealed carry license. It also places a huge cost requirement for people to take classes every year and with only one-year valid license, you must take a class every 8 months so you can turn your paperwork in before your permit expires. I feel a more normal time frame would be every 3 or 5 years like most other stateshave and limit fees to \$50-\$60 dollars.

I ask what other constitutional right requires that someone has to take a class and pass a test to exercise that right? Did you take a class to be an elected official what was your score on the test and how long is your permit valid for and what was the cost? None. It is your right as an American to run for office. Many people like to say that you have to takse a tesst to get a driver's license but that is a privilege, not a constitutional right.

Mahalo for your time and reading this letter.

Daniel P. Baston MSHM, MSN, APRN-BC.

If you have any questions about my testimony, Please feel free to contact me at (808) 283-0735 I would welcome the chance to have a converstation with you about this matter

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:31:28 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Justin h	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:26:52 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Stanley Mendes	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:40:42 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Xavier Baker	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I feel this bill is not only impractical but also unethical, going after the law abiding citizens. When we all know criminals will laugh at the bill and proceed to still do what they want regardless of what us law abiding citizens will need to do to stay "legal".

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:14:43 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael Elliott	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill and it has already been found ot be unconstitutional in California.

It is a direct violation of the 2nd Amendment and has been ajudicated as such.

https://congressionalsportsmen.org/the-media-room/news/california-firearm-and-ammunition-tax-bill-fails

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-04-23/federal-judge-blocks-californias-ammunition-purchase-law

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:21:16 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Greg Howeth	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33.

This is an overly intrusive requirement for people to posess, and sellers of ammunition to get, a permit to have ammunition. The state and counties do not have the inferstructure nor the man power to carry out this process as evidenced by the permitting process, to excersise our 2nd amendment right, to carry a firearm are now taking months to process.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:56:51 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Nandita Sharma	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly support Bill SB33, which restricts sales of ammunition for firearms in Hawaii. It is critical that sale of ammunition is prohibited to a person who does not have a required registration for a firearm for the particular type of ammunition being sought.

Thank you.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:04:38 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael I Rice	Individual	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

I stand in STRONG OPPOSITION to this bill. Requiring a permit to acquire ammunition will not stop criminals and be only a nuisance to law-abiding gun owners, adding more bureaucracy to a system that is already being stretched to its limits.

Similar bills have already been struck down as unconstitutional on the mainland, and this bill will be met with lawsuits should it come to pass.

There are many, many problems with this bill, one amendment 'The registration form shall also include a place for the registrant to designate one alternate person authorized to purchase ammunition.' now means that all current registrations are obsolete. Every gun owner will have to go down to their county Police Departments in order to designate an 'alternate' on their registration. Research groups have noted that Hawaii's legal gun ownership is estimated at 15% of the population, that's 210,000 people who now have to go down to Police Headquarters to update their registrations and get not one but two copies of their registration printed out just to get ammo. That's just the estimated owners, most owners usually have more than one firearm. And that's just to update their registrations in order to legally buy ammo, nevermind future registrations and permits the Police Departments are already responsible for doing. Combine this with now people with conversion kits having to prove to the Police Departments that their firearm can not only chamber but shoot them.

This brings me to my next point, firearms registration forms contain sensitive and private information on them, including Social Security Number and Address, the designated Alternate will be required to keep a copy of the registration in order to purchase ammo on my behalf. If a thief manages to steal either copy of my registration (or should my Alternate be less than trustworthy) they now not only have everything they need to steal my identity, but also have a location on where to go to get a free gun and ammo.

And what happens should I decide I want to have a different Alternate? Does HPD collect the old registrations making the assumption that I didn't make a copy? Do I now just have two

separate registrations with two separate Alternates? What if someone were to keep doing this to just bypass your system entirely?

Criminals do not go to gun stores, I would even argue that half of the armed criminals in this state wouldn't even know what ammo to buy for their illegal guns. They usually get their ammo in sandwich bags from the person they bought the gun from, and when they run out they usually sell the gun back to their dealer or buy more ammo from them.

Another problem with this bill is dealing with spent shell casings. If I decide to recycle my shell casings do I need to see the recycling center's gun registration? Do they get exempted and are now a source for criminals to acquire shell casings to make ammo for themselves? I mean a lot of them buy catalytic converters they know are stolen so they're already a magnet for criminals.

Do I need to check the Range Officer's gun registration at Koko Head when I dump my brass into their bucket? If I throw my brass away do I need to check the garbage guy's gun registration? If someone wants to turn my spent shotgun shells or brass casings into works of art do I need to check to make sure they have the proper gun registration? Let's say I take up reloading as a business. Can I only buy brass for the guns I own? Do I now need to buy more guns just to keep my business practice going? What happens when someone wants me to load a Wildcat Cartridge? (A Wildcat Cartridge is a homemade bullet that has no commercially available loading.)

Speaking of Wildcats, it's also a common practice to convert ammunition and shell casings that are still commercially available into ones that are no longer or not widely commercially available, .30-06 Springfield to 7.7 Arisaka for example. With this law, those with historical firearms will find much more difficulty finding ammo for them.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:24:18 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Glenn	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

To our Elected Leaders and Representatives,

I oppose this bill on the grounds that it is unecessary and clearly an attempt to further hassle law abiding gun owners and distributors of firearms and ammunition.

All of us already had to go through a stringent process to acquire our firearms so it should go without saying that we ought to be able to aquire ammo for said firearms. Its like allowing a carpenter to get a hammer but then restrict them from getting nails. How does that make any sense?

Please stop treating us like the enemy and second class citizens. We are the only ones who are going to obey the laws and go through the proper channels to legally acquire these items. You will not affect crime or public safety one bit if this becomes law by treating us like the criminal.

This bill is simply harrassment of people who are law abiding citizens who want to do the right thing. obey the law, pay taxes and contribute to public safety.. People who elected you into your positions to represent them. Gonna remind you agan, that you took an oath of office to uphold the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and the Constitution of the United States of America. You are clearly in violation of this oath if you submit or support this bill.

Please do the right thing and strike this down now and don't waste our tax paying dollars on the lawsuits that will inevitably happen if this becomes law.

Thanks

Glenn

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:26:31 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
austin gapsis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Blatant violation of second ammendment. Just pure beaurcratic nonsene. To whoever proposed this you should be ashamed of yourself and resign. Take the constituion serious you can not be trusted if you are this willing to violate a RIGHT.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:27:41 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Hipolito Olaes	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I vehemently oppose this proposed bill on the grounds that this is unconstitutional. The exercise of a Citizens Right to the Second Amendment should never be infringed. When elected as Public Officials, you swore to Protect and Defend the Constitution of the United States. I understand many of you have political affiliations that want to suppress the People's rights, but this should never be placed above serving the People.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:32:21 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brenden Hang-Arcio	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I respectfully oppose this bill in due fact that anyone who has legally purchased a firearm has already had to jump through all the hoops, such as a mental health check, background check and went through the waiting period. If a person illegally obtained a firearm there will also be a way for them to illegal obtain ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:33:09 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Lekeli Watanabe	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill restricting the purchase of ammunition. I often buy ammunition before I have actually purchased that particular caliber.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:38:55 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Donovan Sun	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Mr./Ms. Rhoades, Chang, and Lee,

I oppose sb33 for it is unconstitutional. This bill will take away rights of law abiding citizens. How will you be able to prove what caliber of a gun someone has and who will you hire to do the paperwork and checks? This bill would be a waste of time and money for citizens and taxpayers.

thank you,

Donovan Sun

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:48:01 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jake Hanawahine	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Jake H resident of Kailua, Hi Strongly oppose this bill

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:56:11 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jessica Gellert	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill. It just makes it harder for law abiding citizens to get bullets. We all know criminals are NOT going to follow this. It also adds more paperwork for our understaffed police department. Please do not pass this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 12:57:44 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Benjamin Rowe	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Benjamin Rowe. I oppose the SB33. This bill and others like it only affect legal gun owners and do nothing to deter criminal behavior as it relates to firearms and ammunition purchase.

The efforts regarding firearms legislation in this session all are not well thought out and will have NO impact on criminal behavior using firearms. The net effect it will have is it will make criminals out of legal gun owners. I suspect that the authors and supporters of these bills do not have a clear understanding about the current system in Hawaii and many probably do not know much about firearms in general.

Hawaii currently has some of teh most restrictive laws in the country. Trying to make them even worse just fortifies the criminals and negatively impacts legal gun owners.

I ask you to discard this bill in its current form. I ask you further to research and visit with properly bodied gun advocacy groups to get a clear understanding of what proposed legislation does versus what you hope to achieve. For teh most part in my experience the local 2a communities is diverse, educated, intelligent and easy to talk to. Put in good research into your efforts and you will find solutions on the criminal side of things rather than trying to make heavier restrictions to legal gun owners.

Thanks,

Ben Rowe

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:08:58 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Addison K Caluya	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Having reviewed the proposed changes listed in SB33 I must voice my disagreement with this bill.

The additional layers of process do nothing but increase requirements on an already strained infrastructure within HPD and yet more layers added to the retailers. As a competitive shooter this would potentially impact me on a weekly basis as I try to practice my marksmanship.

I can also see this negatively impacting gun-ranges and events meant to educate potential new owners.

I strongly suggest this bill not be approved and efforts be made in other areas to promote public safety.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:11:04 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Deven English	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

criminals will not follow this. think about the big picture.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:16:30 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Leianah Kahahawai	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Criminals will always find ways to buy and get ammo. I do not support this bill. We do not need this extra measure

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:18:26 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tristan Kasprzycki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

My name is Tristan Kasprzycki and I oppose this bill. You may not regulate and determine who can and who cannot purchase ammunition. This is a violation of everybody's rights.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:21:08 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
James Logue	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Again, as with most all firearms legislation, this bill would not address the illegal purchases of ammunition by criminals. This only inhibits the lawful gun owners with yet more hoops infringing on our right to bear arms. Also, if someone really wants to find ammunition outside of licensed firearms dealers it's pretty easy. Thus, this bill does nothing to address the illegal purchases of ammunition by criminals.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:37:00 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jonathan Cox	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I hold heartedly oppose SB33. It is a direct violation of our rights as an American citizen. As a law abiding citizen I should not have to show proof of anything to buy ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:39:38 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alan Medeiros	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Alan Medeiros, oppose this bill SB33

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:41:39 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrew Lum	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I opposes this bill. It will create more paperwork for both the seller and the already over burdened police department and put added liability on the seller. Common sense dictates that individuals who intend to do ill will with firearms will not comply with this measure, and this will in the end, not amount to anything but a waste of taxpayer time and money.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:42:18 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Adrian Flack	Individual	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

Strongly OPPOSE SB33.

Another unnecessary restriction on the right of the people to exercise their second amendment rights by resticting one's ability to purchase ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:42:23 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alan Koons	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill as well as SB882. This bill is a blatant attempt to restrict ammunition for legal gun owners. Illegal gun owners will get around this by having other individuals purchase ammunition. It will also put more stress and liability on sellers and already understaffed police departments.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:59:41 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rob Mihada	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33 as it's simply unconstitutional as per Bruen and Heller. Bruen specifically states that any law or limitation to keep and bear arms must have historical precedent from when the 2nd amendment was ratified in 1791 or re-ratified 1868. The burden is on the state to prove their laws and limitations are based on those historical precedents. Justice Thomas wrote in Bruen: The right to keep and bear arms in public for self defense is not "a 2nd class right, subject to an entirely different set of rules than the other Bill of Rights guarantees." If you do not stand by the Constitution, you do not belong in your position. We are a Constitutional Republic, not a democracy. The law clearly states "shall not be infringed [...]". the Constitution protects individual liberties from being abused by the government. A significant accomplishment of the Constitution was finding a means to agree on this basis of power. Any where you limit the ability to conceal carry makes the people in those locations, the most vulnerable. Gun owners are by far the most patriotic, responsible, and law abiding citizens. Criminals do not care about the law nor safe spaces. It only makes our community more vulnerable [...]

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 1:59:55 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jon Fia	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. Does not stop straw purchases for criminals. Makes undue paper work for retailers and law enforcement. Also what if I want to enjoy shooting guns at a gun range and a friend allows me to shoot their gun or I rent a gun? It may be of a caliber that I don't own but would enjoy shooting. Or perhaps I want to shoot the different caliber to see if I like it or not to prompt a purchase of a firearm in that caliber. It could actually make a buyer buy a lower caliber as they may experience too much recoil but will never know if they can't purchase the ammo required for the gun they want to test out.

As I have mentioned in the past, please stop making it hard on law abiding citizens and focus your energies on policies for the criminals.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:10:05 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jason Nakasato	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This bill only serves to inconvenience and penalize law-abiding citizens. Section 1 lines one, and two of SB 33 are conjecture, not fact. Firearms used by repeat offenders are usually obtained outside of the established process that law abiding citizens are forced to comply with. Restricting the purchase of ammunition will not deter criminals.

This bill is a clear example of overreach buy a politician with little to no knowledge of firearms, and does nothing to protect the law-abiding population.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:13:16 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
jesse white	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill as it's written. All it does is create more hoops for law abiding citenzens to go through in order to obtain ammunition while doing very little if anything to deter criminals who already do not follow the laws.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:17:53 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dylan Fujitani	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

"We need some bullet control."

-Chris Rock

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:20:44 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sterling	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:23:07 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sheldon Miyakado	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Felons do not obey the law. There are firearms that are capable of multiple calibers and HPD will require a highly educated personnel to determine which calibers to list on every handgun which will take hours to complete paperwork.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:28:57 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
BALLZ	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 2:54:54 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Robert Coster	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am writing in OPPOSITION to SB33. Absolutely amazing how our representatives continue to waste OUR valuable time on nonsense such as this bill steeped in ignorance and seasoned with continued attempts to degrade OUR Second Ammendment. Please tell me how this bill does anything to improve citizens lives. I emplore you people that are supposed to be our representatives, stop the continued stupid with regard to your ignorant and destructive attempts to destroy citizens rights. Just stop.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 3:22:45 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Maria Y Song	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

• We support Hawaii's efforts to have strict firearms laws to help safeguard our community from gun violence, suicides by gun, and accidental gun deaths.

• Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased, can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

• This bill already has a provision to allow a registered gun owner to formally designate one alternate person to purchase ammunition on their behalf. There is no justification for other persons to purchase ammunition when they do not hold a required gun registration.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 3:24:35 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Wayne Asam	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I vehemently oppose this bill as it is a clear violation of the 2nd amendment post Bruen. Many laws around the country such as this have lost in court or will lose in court anyway. Why waste your time and effort on a bill that is ultimately going to fail. This will not do anything to keep our public safe, it just makes it unrealistically hard for law abiding citizens to purchase ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 3:42:06 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jordan Au	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

To whom it may concern,

I strongly oppose SB33. This bill will do nothing except make ammunition sellers do more paperwork, make person to person sales illegal, and limit the kinds of ammo you can buy. Furthermore, criminals will not follow this bill and it is incredibly easy to bypass. Also, this bill violates the Supreme Court Bruen decision and the second amendment.

Thank you

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 3:54:36 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
David Lau	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. It is simply unconstitutional. The govenment has the burden to prove that this passes the test of text, history and tradition of the second amendment. This is clearly another power grab to undermind law abiding citizens from exercising their right to own and bear arms. I strongly oppose.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 4:15:17 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gary Robinson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly OPPOSE this bill.

This bill imposes undue burden on already overburdened legal gun owners.

Many firearms are multi-caliber, with exchangeable cylinders (revolvers) or barrels (semiautomatic). Thek requirement to prove such and get approval/confirmation just to purchase ammunition is an undue burden.

Many times several people will go in on a group buy, or purchase for a friend because they are going to the gun store and can save them a trip. these are common, NORMAL things that law-abiding gun owners do, and are not accounted for in this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 4:18:28 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kathy Fay	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support Hawaii's efforts to have strict firearms laws to help safeguard our community from gun violence, suicides by gun, and accidental gun deaths. Please remember that Hawaii is an isolated state served by only one Level 1 Trauma Center (Queens Medical Center). If Hawaii were to experience a mass shooting as we have seen happen on the mainland, the state would not have sufficient capacity to care for a large number of critcally injured people. Unlike the mainland we do not have access to Level 1 Trauma Centers in neighboring communities. I think this fact is often overlooked in discussions of gun control.

Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased, can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

This bill has a provision to allow a registered gun owner to formally designate one alternate person to purchase ammunition on their behalf. There is no justification for other persons to purchase ammunition when they do not hold a required gun registration.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 4:47:49 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mallory De Dely	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:05:44 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jon Abbott	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I strongly oppose SB33. This zombie bill once again tries to infringe on an individual Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms. By licensing the sale of ammunition it would reduce the availability of affordable ammunition for people to train and practice with. It would also create a bureacratic nightmare for both the Police departments and the retailers that sell ammunition. It would further strain the resources of the Police department to track and enforce this requirement instead of allocating officers and resources to actually increasing public safety by locating and arresting criminals.

Lastly, this bill seeks to increase public safety by regulating the sale of ammunition. It will not accomplish the intended goal. Criminals who use guns in Hawaii do not obtain their guns through licensed dealers. Like fireworks and methamphetamine firearms and the ammunition they use are smuggled into the state.

It is clear the authors of this bill view lawful gun owners as criminals. This bill seeks to punish gun owners for excercising their rights. As such, I urge members of the committee to OPPOSE SB33.

Mahalo,

Jon

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:15:59 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gavin Heideman	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose bill SB33. I and many everyday people only have limited time available. Sometimes you only have an hour or less, to get to the FFL for supplies. You have to go home for a document to prove yourself able to purchase a certain product for something you already had to get permission to own. Get stuck in traffic or just plain can't make it on time. Now you are forced to wait until the next chance. Making it more difficult for law abiding citizens will not convince criminals to change their ways.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:18:58 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Creighton Phillips	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Good morning members of the Hawaii state congress.

I am writing my testimony to you now as a concerned member of the Hawaii population. The unconstitutionality of SB33 is clear and unambiguous. The very fact you have decided to hold a hearing in this bill during the hours of work for most people just goes to show how truly little you actually care about the people of Hawaii.

Your constant attempts to bar our constitutional rights to protect ourselves is disruptive to our day to day lives. SB33 won't work against the people you claim it to fight against, criminals. Criminals will find a way to commit crime whether there's a law or not. The only people this bill will affect are lawful firearm owners.

The logistics of requiring the registration of ammunition would require systems and personnel you know full well don't exist. Not only this, but criminals will find a way. They always have, and they always will. The straw man argument of "this group is dangerous because of _" has been disproven time and time again.

Lawful firearm owners don't need more laws to restrict our constitutional rights to keep and bear arms, we just want to be left alone.

Please understand that should I not have had to work on Friday morning, you can be rest assured that I would have been there in person to deliver this testimony.

Thank you,

Creighton Phillips

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:48:41 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
kamakani de dely	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill !

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:56:44 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
jordan dinong	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. HPD can't even keep up with firearms registration as it took them months for them to process and send me my copy of a single firearm I registered. On another firearm I attempted to register, I wasn't even sent a copy and I had to contact them instead and they told me I never registered at all. I had to dig through my old emails and find the confirmation that I did submit a registration and forward that to them. I do not support any form of firearm registration but if they add ammunition into the process then I believe that it will only make things worse. Had I not contacted hpd to follow up on my registration, it would've gone overlooked and I would be considered a criminal for possessing an unregistered firearm.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:00:28 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Peter J Long III	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I submit this testimony in OPPOSITION to the proposal.

We all know just how well the ban on FIREWORKS has gone in this state. It turned a simple, fun tradition into an uncontrollable monstrosity with larger and louder homemade bombs going off in neighborhoods around the island during the holidays.

I believe the completely unnecessary regulation of ammunition will only burden local police departments with additional duties, increase costs and bureaucratic red tape for dealers, and allow for the evolution of a black market for those willing to pay for it.

My question is why are legislators continually restricting and regulating the actions of law abiding citizens while criminals flagrantly flout the law? If we spent a fraction of our time and resources enforcing the laws already on the books, I think this State would begin to realize a lower crime rate. But until the Legislature and Judiciary arms of Hawaii get rid of its Soft on Crime approach, this proposal is nothing more than another attempt to stifle freedom.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:03:23 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brendan M	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I, a law-abiding citizen strongly oppose SB33. Criminals will always find a way around the law. So why must lawful citizens be punished for criminals actions?

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:07:01 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kyle Hara	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:13:45 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bobby J Smith	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB 33. This does absolutely nothing to prevent crime or to prevent criminals from obtaining illegal weapons or ammunition. All this does is hinder those of us are the law abiding community and put us at higher risk for being victims of violent crimes. It also inhibits sport shooters and recreational shooters from be able to exercise their second amendment right because another roadblock has been put in front of them all to make it more difficult for them to purchase ammunition

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:18:18 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Susan Dedely	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:26:12 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Helemano	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I APPOSE THIS "MAY ISSUE SCAM "OF A SENATE BILL!

YOU ARE ATTEMPTING TO VIOLATE THE SUPREME COURT NY. vs BRUEN DECISION!

WHAT ABOUT "SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED, DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND?

YOU ARE ATTEMPTING TO VIOLATE OUR SECOND AMMENDMENT RIGHTS!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:46:05 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Thomas K. Beck	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because it puts a unnecessary burden on responsible, law abiding, firearm owning citizens.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:49:16 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rodney Rego	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB33

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:05:36 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Glennon T. Gingo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha fron the Island of Hawaii.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

This Bill only creates a bureaucratic nightmare of paperwork and processing and does nothing to enhance Firearm Safety. Many legal gun owners possess more than one firearm and shoot with clubs and organization that require multiple types of ammunition. This would further hinder one's rights to enjoy a sport and recreation in addition to limiting their 2nd amendment rights.

Mahalo Nui Loa

Glennon T. Gingo

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:19:59 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dallin	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB33 in regards to the permitting of sellers and buyers of ammunition. I believe that there is not enough data to prove that permits for firearms and ammunition prevents criminals from getting their hands on firearms and ammunition. I think that this needs to be investigated further in order to determine if such legislation is needed.

I argue that this permitting process will burden all local police agencies. Local police already have the tedious job of having to process firearm permits and CCW permits. On the other hand citizens will have to take time off of their busy schedules to apply for permits and go through the process to comply with the proposed rules.

Therefore, I strongly oppose this bill. More research and investigating is required on this matter.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:25:30 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Russell Takata	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE this bill. This proposal only imposes additional administrative time and liability for individuals and gunshops selling ammunition and brass. Does this positively affect gun violence? No. There was no presentation on problem definition to support changing the law. This bill only satisfies politics and not the real problem in community mental health and enforcement.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:39:39 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mike Harrington	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This is yet another Government Overreach. Criminals will always find a way, this bill is simply against law abiding citizens.

Mahalo,

Mike Harrington

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:44:24 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jennifer Cabjuan	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose this bill. Ammunition is part of the right to bear arms. Do not infringe on our constitutional rights as Hawaii citizens!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:52:03 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cameron Andrade	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:05:59 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Hiroshi Nakauye	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB33 as it does nothing to prevent a felon from gaining access to ammunition. But creates more obstacles for law abiding citizens and retailers.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:06:47 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bunnie Harrington	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. This is creating more paperwork that is unnecessary for citizens, the firearm stores, and HPD who is already understaffed. This will not stop criminals from getting ammunition, they are criminals and will find a way. Prime example; Did having strict gun laws stop the criminals for getting these firearms? Absolutely not.

Best,

Bunnie H

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:26:41 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Aaron Kobiella	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this Bill.

Without providing and proving precise and factual historical analogies relevant to each Bill it is in direct violation of the recent Bruen decision and other Constitutional Amendments/Protections which clearly outlined the States burden to do so... you have not.

The US Constitution is the Supreme Law of the Land which All public servants took and oath to uphold and defend, to violate one's Oath and Our Constitution is the equivalence of administrative crimes.

I'm personally affected by this Bill as it's an infringement on my unalienable rights to selfdefense by creating an excessive burden on law-abiding Citizens and does not prove it's effective at ensuring Public Safety nor limiting criminal acts.

Please reconsider and uphold Your oath to We the People and Our US Constitution, it is dishonorable not to do so, even if under the guise of "Public Safety"!

Mahalo.



<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:27:11 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Chase Cavitt	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the senate of Hawaii,

I respectfully ask for SB33 to be struck down and not allowed to go any further as it would sincerely hinder our constitutional rights to keep and bear arms here in Hawaii. Ammunition is a tool required to be able to use firearms but cannot be used without a firearm. This would directly affect legal firearm owners but this bill seeks to prevent ammunition from getting into the hands of criminals who have illegal weapons. I'd like to note that I believe the same people who somehow circumvented the firearm registration process are not not going to be stopped from obtaining ammunition by this bill if it were to become a law. I ask if you truly think this will dissuade those same individuals from obtaining ammunition in an illegal fashion if firearm laws couldn't stop them from getting a firearm illegally? I ask for this bill to be opposed in all forms, mostly for the same reason I cannot testify in person. This exhaustive season has returned unfortunately, as it does every year, where I have to take time out of my busy life to debate with politicians about why I should be able to maintain my constitutional rights. I work full time from sunrise until about sunset as a rancher on Maui. On occasion, I have to request a family member to pick up my ammunition from a gun store if I plan to go hunting or shoot at our private range. I would be directly affected in a negative way by this bill and prevented from obtaining ammunition for my legal and registered firearms as the result of SB33 passing. I cannot take time off as I care for many horses and work during the hours all firearm stores are open on island. I do not think this state has the right to do this constitutionally but I imagine that won't stop certain politicians who feel they can rule over us in an oppressive manner.

I am forced to write this testimony at 5 in the morning and risk being late for work as there is hardly any time for me to do so since it's inception. The process is so rushed that it is stressful and disruptive to my life. Please be considerate of those who abide by the laws and are not a danger to our society. This bill should be opposed and I respectfully ask that you please consider the negative effects it will have on legal Hawaii firearm owners.

I also want to provide a few more questions with scenarios where this bill might cause a negative unwanted consequence.

1. A person moving away or going away for military service who wants to sell of the remaining ammunition that they have as they cannot easily transfer it to another state. This person would be forced to lose however much they've invested into ammunition as they would not be allowed to sell off their remaining supply. This could total into

thousands of dollars depending on quantity and type of ammunition. Would they simply have to turn their legally obtained ammunition to the police department if they could not take it with them?

- 2. Can a father take their of age son or daughter shooting/ hunting or loan them a firearm to go to the range with and provide them with ammunition? Would giving them the ammunition be a crime?
- 3. Can I give my friend who I take with me to a range, in order to teach firearm safety, ammunition to use while practicing shooting or would that be considered transferring of ammunition and require a ridiculous procedure to do so, if it was even allowed at all?
- 4. When a person passes away, is all of their ammunition then to be destroyed or turned into the police rather than passed on legally to their next of kin or however their will specifies?
- 5. Will those who share ammunition while hunting be committing a crime? How about a father or mother teaching their son or daughter how to hunt, even after passing a hunter's education course? Will they be allowed to share ammunition with their child while teaching them an invaluable skill?
- 6. Will hunting outfitters who take out guided hunts not be allowed to give ammunition to clients?
- 7. Will young Americans who want to participate in a Kids Safe Firearms safety class in Hawaii not be allowed to shoot alongside their parents at the range after being thoroughly taught about firearm safety, as the ammunition is provided by the non profit organization?

The proposed bill is not just a small change or inconvenience and I respectfully ask you to oppose SB33 in all forms. There is no reason for this bill and it will only deter law abiding citizens, while criminals continue to be criminals. If a person commits a crime or uses a firearm in an unsafe way, then the consequences should be punishment for that act. The law already accounts for those circumstances and this bill would not stop someone from illegally obtaining ammunition with a "straw man" purchase. The registration of ammunition and inability to legally transfer ammunition will not affect those looking to cause harm. They will simply break the "rule," and continue with their evil act. This will in fact hinder law abiding people from being able to practice their second amendment right and should not be allowed to go further. Please oppose SB33.

Thank you,

Chase Cavitt

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:42:26 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Will Caron	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Requiring firearm permits is an effective way of minimizing unlawful possession and use of firearms. However, ammunition there are few state regulations with regards to the sale of ammunition. Specifically, Hawai'i does not require a license for the sale of ammunition, nor does it require a permit to purchase or possess ammunition. This is a huge oversight that should be addressed immediately. Please pass SB33.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:42:56 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
William Lono	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I *oppose* bill **SB33.** All this will do is make your average law-abiding citizen jump through more hoops just to exercise their 2nd Amendment right. Criminals will still find ways to purchase ammo without going through this process (example: fireworks, drugs)

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:43:51 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sean Loo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this Bill because it would cause unnecessary requirements to purchase ammunition to law abiding citizens. People do not have to show proof that they own a car to buy gas, so how is purchasing ammuniton any different. This Bill will not stop criminals from getting ammunition for a firearm that they already cannot have. Criminals do not follow the law and this Bill will do nothing to stop them. This Bill will do nothing but hinder law abiding citizens from keeping themselves safe while criminals are taking over our community due to lack of enforcement and not prosecuting these criminals only giving them a slap on the wrist and letting them right back out on the streets.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:44:58 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
davin asato	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to encourage the opposition of SB33. This bill would make it impossible for those looking to obtain a permit to acquire a firearm and exercise their 2nd Amendment rights. NRA instructors bring their personal firearms for students to use to complete the shooting qualification as required by the State. This bill would make it illegal to loan a firearm to a student in order to meet these requirements. Additional, some instructors ask incoming students to purchase and bring their own supply of ammunition to class for the shooting portions. This would be impossible if this bill were to pass. Again, a complete violation of their 2nd Amendment rights.

Please oppose SB33.

Thank you,

Davin Asato

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:50:17 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sharrese Castillo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This is not a real solution to the issues we have with crimes that involve guns. The bill puts undue liability and creates more paperwork for the businesses and police officers that are already understaffed. The people that this bill takes aim at are legal registered gun owners, small businesses, and police officers rather than the criminals who purchase guns and ammo illegally. Hawaii needs less virtue signaling and more policy making that solves problems not create them.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:55:38 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Laurel Nakanishi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Lawmakers,

I am writing to voice my support of SB33. As a teacher and parent, I feel strongly that more gun and ammunition regulations should be established to protect the safety of our communities. Like you, I was horrified at the recent mass shootings, especially the shootings at schools like in Uvalde, TX. Up until this point, Hawaii has enjoyed a relatively low number of gun fatalities because of our strict gun laws. Please continue to make Hawaii a safe place for our keiki by doing everything in your power to limit the quantity of guns in our community and to make sure that all gun owners will use their weapons responsibily.

Sincerely,

Laurel

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:09:00 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Edward Inn	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a law abiding citizen and exercising my constitutional rights to bare arms!!!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:25:47 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Atom Kasprzycki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This bill is unconstitutional and anti-American. The drafters of this bill are either ignorant of the Constitution and our rights as Americans or they are knowling attempting to skirt around Supreme Court rulings and violate the continental rights of American citizens. Drafters: Direct your efforts toward any of Hawaiis actual problems like our homeless epidemic, or fighting to help keep homes affordable for our local residents and their children in the future.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:26:33 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
David Ruiz	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Why do you keep infringing on our Second Amendment? All you are doing is disarming lawabiding citizens! Enough is enough!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:44:32 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alvin jay Viernes	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose bill SB33

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:07:38 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Christopher Braun	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose bill sb33 because I believe it will not have any affect in preventing unlawful persons from acquiring ammunition. If an unlawful person is trying to acquire ammunition, then it is apparent that they are purchasing it for a firearm they already have obtained, and are not permitted to have, but have obtained one illegally anyway. If they are able to obtain a firearm illegally, they will acquire ammunition illegally, just as easily. This is why I believe bill sb33 will not work as intended and only cause law abiding people and businesses selling ammunition more difficulty, while doing nothing to prevent the unlawful people from getting what they want.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:08:06 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Calay Flippo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Calay Flippo oppose this bill. There is no justification for this bill. Stop wasting our taxpayer money on unconstitutional bills that continue to potentially restrict our freedoms.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:17:01 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ryan Matsumoto	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill because it infringes on my second amendment rights and makes it a lot more difficult for law abiding citizens like myself from purchasing ammunition of different calibers. This bill targets specifically law abiding citizens and criminals will never follow this law. As a law abiding citizen, I would like to purchase any caliber ammunition, so I can go to the range with friends who have different caliber firearms that I do not own. It should not be up to a friend to buy ammunition for me, so I can fire their firearms. I do not want to be responsible to buy ammunition for friends who want to shoot firearms I own. This will create a lot more paperwork for myself to buy ammunition for firearms I own.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:21:29 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Lionel Delos Santos	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha legislature i strongly oppose this bill sb33 because crimmnals will still get ammo thoug black markets and get other people to get it so them, it will put to much paper work on seller and the police department thats under staff.

thank you

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:41:49 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cole heanu	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because it breaches the second amendment to the right of bear arms. I would like to say we as American citizens have rights to bear arms as stated in the constitution. It allows us the people to provide protection for ourselfs at any given time. This bill will just hinder and violate our 2nd amendment right. And it would be also described the law as "onerous and convoluted" and "constitutionally defective". I hope this message gets to you and make light in hopes of you to understand.

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair Senator Brandon J.C. Elefante, Vice Chair Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

Hearing: Friday, February 10, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Regarding: SB33 (Relating to Firearms) Voter Position: OPPOSITION

Senators of the PSM and CPN Committees,

I express my opposition to SB33 (Relating to Firearms).

Invalid Premise

Like firearms, individual rounds of ammunition cannot conduct any act of harm by themselves. The danger the Legislator seeks to address exists within the mind of the criminal seeking to harm the public with any resource at their disposal—the criminal does not need to use a firearm or ammunition for their activities.

Undue Burden Upon Lawful Purchase

SB33 imposes an artificial burden upon firearm owners seeking to purchase ammunition by forcing them to prove that they are the owner of their own firearm and present an additional permit to make such purchase. Moreover, the requirement to obtain a separate permit to acquire ammunition for firearms that are capable of firing different calibers of rounds is preposterous. If the concern remains on mitigating prospective violence caused by criminals, then focus on legislative measures that address the effective reduction criminal activities.

Undue Burden Upon Honolulu Police Department

The Honolulu Police Department is already exhausting astronomical resources to process permits for all firearms brought into the state and concealed carry weapons licenses. Adding ammunition permits to their process will place an artificial strain on the department. Although administrative in nature, the personnel charged with creating superfluous ammunition permits would essentially be creating duplicative forms for virtually all currently registered firearms.

Undue Burden Upon Firearm Stores

Firearm store owners are not law enforcement officers. There is no viable reason why they should be the proxy to validate firearm registration forms and their corresponding ammunition permits. There is no provision for any compensation of firearm store owners who are taking on the added requirement imposed by **SB33**'s enactment. Moreover, there is no provision of liability control to protect firearm store owners who sell ammunition. If a legal concern were to erupt, the firearm store owner should not bear an artificial cost imposed upon them by the Legislator.

Respond to Criminals Specifically

Passage of **SB33** actually endangers the public by taking enforcement focus off criminals seeking to commit acts of violence. Criminals simply need to steal ammunition from someone who legally acquired ammunition. If not stopped, then the danger to the public remains the same and the criminal will carry out whatever action they were planning on committing. Such reality negates any added benefit of **SB33**. Better resources could be used to combat criminal activities in all of its other forms via other legislative measures.

Thank you for your time and consideration of your constituents' safety.

Respectfully,

Ryan C. Tinajero

Constituent of Senate District 23

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:48:19 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrew Namiki Roberts	Individual	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

I write today on behalf of myself in opposition to SB33.

In 2021 The Hawaii district court ruled that a requirement to have firearms inspected by the police department was unconstitutional (Yukutake v. Connors). https://casetext.com/case/yukutake-v-connors

This law would face similar scrutiny and would also be declared a violation, and this is before applying the text history and tradition doctrine outlined by the supreme court in NYPRA V. Bruen.

Even if this bill were to go into effect, it would have no obvious impact on the criminal use of firearms. Criminals do not go to gun stores and purchase firearms and ammo. They are obtained by theft and straw purchases.

The only people that this would affect are law-abiding citizens who would face delays in exercising their rights and infringements of their privacy to comply.

Andrew Namiki Roberts.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:50:50 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Fred Delosantos	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please oppose SB33. This bill would punish law abiding firearms owners both within and outside of the State of Hawaii. This bill unfairly targets law-abiding Hawaii firearms owners who are simply exercising a passion, a hobby, a perfectly-legal activity, and also, let's not forget, a Constitutional Right. This bill would also greatly hurt the hunting tourism industry of Hawaii as hunters who come to Hawaii for weekend hunts would not be able to purchase any ammunition for their firearms. Such restrictions would greatly impact the finances of small and large hunting guides as hunters would go to other places to hunt and take their wallets with them. This would also affect the greater tourism industry as the hunters may bring their family members to Hawaii to vacation while they hunt. This revenue stream would go away, leading to job loss and decreased earnings to businesses and subsequent tax revenue loss.

SB33 also hurts the organizations such as the Boy Scouts and other such organizations that provide learning opportunities for youth to learn safely about firearms. Using the Boy Scouts, typically, one adult leader purchases the ammunition for their entire troop to use at the event. The firearms are owned by the Boy Scouts organization, not the individual. That would make the ammunition purchaser a criminal as he/she would not be purchasing ammunition for their registered firearm. How would they purchase ammunition? Purchasing ammunition for firearms not registered to the individual would in essence constitute a "straw purchase", making all involved criminals. Now that group is disenfranchised from a Constitutionally protected event and the youth are not afforded the ability to learn SAFELY about firearms. Todays youth are tomorrows leaders.

Furthermore, todays firearms are more and more available as multi calibers. To the point where manufacturers are marking them as MULTI. There are factory kits available for firearms to convert calibers. These are designed by the manufacturer. The manufacturer SIG has the P320 and P250 pistols available as 9mm, .40, .357SIG with different conversion kits. The "firearm" of the SIG is just the "Fire Control Unit" How does an owner procure ammunition for these firearms if it was not originally registered as a certain caliber? To enact this places an undue burden on the firearm owner. How is law enforcement set up to easily and conveniently help firearms owners? Will owners have to re-register a firearm for every caliber if they choose to change? SB33 is just not practical.

SB33 does not address shooting events where firearms owners gather together to engage in a legally protected activity. When an individual runs out of his own ammunition, he is barred from borrowing ammunition from his friends, even though all persons are legal possessors of firearms.

And should the event occur where borrowing or giving of ammunition would occur, all involved would be made into criminals. Why are we criminalizing legally protected activities?

As such for these and many other reasons, I urge you to OPPOSE SB33.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:51:10 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jon DS	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because all this does is put more paperwork and liability on the sellers and police departments who are already understaffed.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:13:46 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Daniel Oshima	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

There should be no need for an individual to provide registration information in order to purchase ammuntiion for their firearm(s). Criminals and wrongdoers would not be penalized by this as they do not obey laws and rules; only law abiding citizens would be affected. SB33 is a proposal that makes no sense and will not prevent the bad individuals from conducting crimes.

Please oppose SB33. Thank you, Daniel

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:20:23 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Reid	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33.

I shouldn't have to show proof I own a firearm for the caliber I'm purchasing. We all know criminals will not obey this and will find someway to purchase the ammo for their illegally obtained firearms. This just put more burden and liability on the sellers and police departments who are already understaffed. Also, this is unconstitutional. Nowhere in the plain text of the 2nd amendment states any of this. There is no history & no traditions (around the time the 2nd amendment was ratified) restricting ammo purchases.

Text, History, Tradition. Per Bruin decision

Shall Not Be Infringed!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:43:43 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sean Steele	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I respectfully oppose Bill SB33. It is unnecessary, invasive, and not relevant for lawful abiding citizens to produce such "proof". It is also an administrative burden for sellers and the police department who are already understaffed. In addition it puts further liability on the sellers.

Mahalo nui for your time and consideration,

Sean Steele

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:24:20 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
John D'Adamo III	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose Felons will not obey

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:34:16 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cheryl Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:40:24 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Benel Piros	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Oppose due to the fact that WE as LAW ABIDING citizens are subjected to more infringement on our rights where criminals DON'T follow any Laws period.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 1:53:41 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mark Woodward	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB 33.

This bill will only burden the law abiding gun owner who goes to a shooting range on a regular bases.

I doubt that any criminals/felons go to a shooting range to practice their marksmanship. A few bullets is all that is needed for their purposes, which are already in circulation.

Continuous presentation of identifying information (each time ammunition is purchased) including home address and type of firearm owned increases the risk that this information will eventually be obtained by those who would like to obtain illegal firearms by home robberies. This puts the law-abiding home owner at increased risk of home invasion.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 4:27:16 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kirk Kama	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Again, our intellectual superiors that hold office, DO NOT REPRESENT the people. This bill will only restrict law abiding individuals and promote illicit activities. This level of ignorance is amazing!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 5:28:24 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Barry Aoki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE SB33 as this bill is designed to severely impact lawful gun owners by making the lawful use of firearms so burdensome that they will give up their rights. This bill will not affect convicted criminals as they do not conform to normal avenues of obtaining ammunition or complying with laws.

Thank you,

Barry Aoki

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:34:14 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Christopher Kempner	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I'm a law a abiding 21 year Army Retired and oppose this bill. It continues to increase rights of criminals and decreases rights of good citizens.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:39:22 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
K Tom	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:46:48 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
mitchell weber	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly OPPOSE SB33,

This proposed bill is at best unenforceable, that is putting it nicely. The HI permit to aquire lists various types of PII. Many commonly owned firearms also are listed and categorized(even with HPD) as "Multi-Caliber."

Who decides what caliber is allowable for any particular firearm? Whomever submitted this bill obviously knows nothing of what they preach and certainly should not be regulating anything in regards to firearms. Any legislator with even a modicum of firearms knowledge would laugh at the nonsensical fear driven proposals of the bill.

Do your jobs better, HI politicians always like to point out that "HI isn't the mainland" then turn around and try to ram legislation that is copied and pasted from....mainland legislators/special interest groups.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:47:12 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
john	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This proposed bill over burdens all ares the police department, the buyer and the seller and also overreaching of personnel information for that reason I oppose.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:50:15 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Timothy Kahooilihala	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB33

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:57:18 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Erica Yamauchi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha, Chair, Vice-Chair, and Committee Members:

Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners (whose gun is designed for the type of ammunition being purchased) can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns, or even ghost guns, which have unfortunately become a huge issue for us here in Hawai'i.

This bill includes a provision to allow registered gun owners to formally designate one alternate person to purchase ammunition on their behalf. There is no good justification for other persons to purchase ammunition when they do not hold a required gun registration.

Please take action on this common-sense legislation.

Erica Yamauchi, Kaimukī/Wilhelimina Rise

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:03:15 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gabriel Kekauoha	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this SB33.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:05:44 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Stephen Kobayashi	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments: I oppose SB33.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:06:49 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jim T.	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

There is no need for requiring a licensing scheme for selling or buying ammo. The police do not have the budget or man power to implement such a system. This will make ammo much more expensive and shut down a lot of sellers. This bill will do nothing to increase public safety as criminals do not buy their ammo locally - they get it with the illegal guns they steal or smuggle into the state.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:08:44 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Eric Akiyama	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB 33. Please stop making things more difficult for the law abiding gun owners. Criminals will find ways around the law. They don't care.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:12:58 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dirck Sielken	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill as it only affects law abiding citizens. Please put your efforts into making bills that allow law enforcement and prosecutors to hold criminals accountable and prosecutable.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:32:49 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Margaret ANN Renick	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly encourage the passage of this bill to limit unregulated purchase of ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:34:35 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kanayama, Galen	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Why harass the law abiding?

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:37:53 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Eric Cluett	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. This is more Hawaii democrate red tape that will not address gun violence and only create a burdon on gun shop owners.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:43:52 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
joshua	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this law.

This law would have a direct effect on professionals that teach firearms saftey classes, indoor shooting ranges & other business that offer shooting services but have customers purchase their own ammunition.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:47:11 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Edelio Gerola	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha:

I oppose this bill. Please vote to oppose this bill being it unreasonal and more importantly unconstitutional.

Thank you.

Edelio

Hawaii State Legislature Senate CPN/PSM Committees HEARING: February 10 2023 10am RE: Bill 33 Firearms Ammunition

I OPPOSE Bill 33

I am a master firearms instructor and mentor other firearms instructors in the state, and coordinate with the gun and hunting communities. This bill has many problems even aside from the unconstitutionality of it. It prevents the teaching of firearms classes, loaning of firearms for practice and hunting, prevents traveling hunters and competition shooters from purchasing ammunition, adds inconvenience to firearms owners, and does not work to stop crime.

1. Firearms Classes and Practice

This bill prevents instructors from giving ammunition to their students for firearms classes or practice sessions. This especially applies to students who do not own firearms yet, so will not have a firearms registration form. It also affects people renting guns who must provide their own ammunition. Sometimes the students must buy their own ammunition. Sometimes the instructor sells or transfers it to the students.

2. Traveling hunters and competition shooters

This bill will prevent people from traveling to Hawaii from purchasing ammunition. They will fly in to Hawaii for a competition or hunt on a weekend and not have a firearms registration. They won't be able to purchase ammunition due to this.

3. Multicaliber firearms

There are many guns that can shoot multi-calibers of ammunition and it is quite common. One AR15 can shoot different types of ammunition for different purposes: 22lr for training, 223 for self defense, 6.8 for hunting, etc. Same for handguns with simple barrel swaps. The caliber marked on the registration form doesn't necessarily reflect all of the types of ammunition used with the gun.

4. Unnecessary work

This bill would lead to unnecessary burdens to firearm owners, stores, the public, and police departments. Registration forms will have to be updated with additional users and calibers and permits issued which will require additional police manpower when they are already overwhelmed due to officer shortages and go through the time intensive concealed carry license processing.

5. Won't affect criminals

If the purpose of this bill is to stop criminals from purchasing ammunition, it wont work. Criminals have many ways to obtain ammunition and won't follow this law. They'll get it through straw buyers, steal it, get it on the black market, or import it into the state. There are hundreds of millions of rounds of ammunition in Hawaii and it is a commodity and untraceable. California has had a ammunition background check requirement for the past 5 years which hasn't reduced crime due to the reasons stated above, but it has caused many problems for legal gun owners.

6. This bill is unconstitutional

This restriction on ammunition does not meet the historical tradition standard of the US Supreme Court opinion in NYSRPA v Bruen. Any restrictions on firearms must be rooted in history with laws generally in place in the states at the time of the Constitution Ratification in 1788.

Please oppose this bill. I am available for any questions.

Mahalo,

Todd Yukutake (808) 255-3066 todd@hifico.org

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:09:49 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tyler Robb	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

To whom it may concern, I oppose SB33 as it would cause unnecessary cost and time on law abiding citizens and business owners. As a certified NRA instructor this would prevent me from teaching as I would not be able to give ammo to potential firearm owners. It is a requirement for new pistol owners to take a pistol safety class which includes live fire. SB33 would make it illegal to do so and would also contradict state law as only law enforcement or a court order can request to see your firearms registration. Please do not pass SB33, thank you for your time.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:12:26 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Clifford Chee	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I have been a responsible firearms owner for over thirty-five years. This bill will not deter crime, but just make life more cumbersome for honest and hardworking citizens.

Thank you for your public service.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:14:26 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ipulasi Eseu	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Hi I am here as a citizen/parent/brother/uncle/son to many of my family members. I oppose this bill because it goes against my second amendment to bare arms and protect my family. These bills doesn't help innocent people and families like me who deal with criminals who also has multiple weapons to possibly kill or hurt myself or a family member in any situation or in any environment at anytime of the day. How can I protect my family if these bills pass?. Rely on the low staff HPD department?. By that time, 5-10min went by. Who knows, will we still still be alive?. Maybe, maybe not. That's a chance I cannot take when I can act upon my second amendment and prevent a dangerous situation from happening either towards myself,my family or innocent people.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:34:27 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Benjamin Joseph Candari	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I am writing to strongly oppose this bill.

It serves no purpose other than to further encumber good people who wish to utilize their rights and will do nothing against those that wish to do others harm.

Thank you for your consideration of my concern.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:34:52 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sean Tiwanak	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in SUPPORT of SB33. As a lifelong citizen of the State of Hawaii we have been guided by cultural principles of public safety that date back to Kamehameha I Law of the Splintered Paddle. I believe we must enact GUN SAFETY laws that make sense for HAWAII. Hawaii has always been known as a safe haven among locals and tourists alike, and has been an integral part of our culture for generations.

FIREARM SAFETY measures like SB33 instill a sense of PUBLIC SAFETY in our communities while still allowing RESPONISBLE firearm owners to possess and use firearms for lawful purposes. SB33 also takes a step toward disarming unlawful or ineligible gun owners with the hope of reducing potential CRIMES, GUN VIOLENCE, ACCIENDENTAL DISCHARGES and access to CHILDREN, MINORS and POTENTIAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.

I believe these measures are common sense and RIGH FOR HAWAII. Our State is UNIQUE in the USA and most firearm use is mainly used for ENTHUSIASTS, HUNTING and HOME SECURITY. We do not have threats of wild animals for example and unlike other States mass proliferation is not a part of our culture or need in the HAWAIIAN Society.

I believe we should accommodate those who are responsible and lawful firearm owners. However, we should make require registration of firearms of all types AND require registration for purchase of ammunition. This protects the public, minors and children.

I myself have been a victim of a drive by shooting of a airsoft pellet gun and struck in the neck while walking my dogs. I am grateful that the weapon was not a gun and I believe unrestricted proliferation can only lead to escalation of these types of random acts of violence. Had I been armed, I likely would have responded in kind. In my case I would have been firing at a 15 year old boy.

IT IS COMMON SENSE. A license is required to purchase FIREWORKS. It only makes sense that a license is required to purchase gun ammunition as this it has to the potential to inflict grave injuries and even death on a limited and mass scale. Our general public are not gun owners in this State and represent the majority of the population.

Please VOTE for and PASS SB33.

Mahalo,

Sean K Tiwanak

Kapolei Resident

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<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:41:07 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Edwin Wise	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a law abiding citizen and exercising my constitutional rights as a citizen as stated in the 2nd Ammendment. How am I supposed to protect my family as a father of young children, a husband and a brother. I oppose this bill being pushed forward as we all know prohibited persons (felons) will not obey this and will find someone to purchase the ammo for their illegally obtained firearms. This just puts more paperwork and liability on the sellers and police departments who are already

understaffed.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:45:28 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dural Duenas	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in opposition of this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:59:59 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Daniel Gabriel	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I disagree with this idea. Ammunition sales should not be regulated.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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February 10, 2023

The Honorable Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair and Members Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Chair and Members Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs State Senate 415 South Beretania Street, Room 229 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813



Dear Chairs Keohokalole and Wakai and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 33, Relating to Firearms Ammunition

I am Joseph A. Trinidad, Major of the Records and Identification Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD opposes Senate Bill No. 33, Relating to Firearms Ammunition.

This bill is requiring the acquisition and ownership of ammunition to be treated like firearms, which includes a criminal background check. The HPD has no ability to support this bill as it requires a background check, which is legally allowed for firearms as outlined by Section 846-2.7 (43) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes and does not include ammunition.

The HPD urges you to oppose Senate Bill No. 33. We appreciate the committee's consideration of these concerns. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

Arthur J. Logan 72 Chief of Police

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Trinidad, Majer Records and Identification Division

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 11:08:04 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Eric Kuwana	Testifying for S.Tokunaga Store inc	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB33 regarding ammo purchase and sale. This bill will create unnecessary paperwork for our business and the local police department, which is already short staffed.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 10:03:52 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Deb Nehmad	Testifying for Brady Hawaii	Support	In Person

Comments:

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Testimony of Deb Nehmad, President, Brady Hawai'i

On SB 33

Before the Senate Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

Chaiir Wakai and committee membesr:

I am Deb Nehmad, Chapter Lead for Brady Hawai'i. Thank you for this opportunity to express our strong strongly support SB33 because it creates a concrete way to better protect our community. By restricting ammunition sales to persons with a properly registered firearm that is designed to use the specific ammunition being purchased, it can help reduce the amount of ammunition that is available to individuals in possession of illegal guns.

The bill also permits a registered gun owner to formally designate one person as an alternate person to purchase ammunition for that firearm. There is no justification to permit others to purchase ammunition, as they are not registered owners for the firearms for which the ammunition is designed.

Cold medicines are more heavily regulated than firearm ammunition. Restricting ammunition purchases to only registered gun owners whose guns are designed for the type of ammunition being purchased can help prevent access to ammunition by persons who have illegal guns.

While this is just one tool to help prevent gun violence, it is a very important one as it helps address the critical supply line for ammunition for illegal guns.

While we work to minimize the number of illegal firearms, we can, by this bill, also work to reduce the ammunition needed to make those illegal firearms become lethal.

Thank you for your consideration and your work on this important issue.

Deb Nehmad

Chapter Lead, Brady Hawai'i

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Hawaii State Capitol - Senate CPN/PSM Committees HEARING: February 10, 2022 10am RE: SB33 Firearms Ammunition

The Hawaii Firearms Coalition (HIFICO) OPPOSES SB33

I see many problems with this bill through my experience as a master firearms instructor, firearms mentor, and liaison with the gun and hunting communities. This bill has many problems even aside from the unconstitutionality of it. It prevents the teaching of firearms classes, loaning of firearms for practice and hunting, prevents traveling hunters and competition shooters from purchasing ammunition, adds inconvenience to firearms owners, and does not work to stop crime.

1. Firearms Classes and Practice

This bill prevents instructors from giving ammunition to their students for firearms classes or practice sessions. This especially applies to students who do not own firearms yet, so will not have a firearms registration form. It also affects people renting guns who must provide their own ammunition. Sometimes the students must buy their own ammunition. Sometimes the instructor sells or transfers it to the students.

2. Traveling hunters and competition shooters

This bill will prevent people from traveling to Hawaii from purchasing ammunition. They will fly in to Hawaii for a competition or hunt on a weekend and not have a firearms registration. They won't be able to purchase ammunition due to this.

3. Multicaliber firearms

There are many guns that can shoot multi-calibers of ammunition and it is quite common. One AR15 can shoot different types of ammunition for different purposes: 22lr for training, 223 for self defense, 6.8 for hunting, etc. Same for handguns with simple barrel swaps. The caliber marked on the registration form doesn't necessarily reflect all of the types of ammunition used with the gun.

4. Unnecessary work

This bill would lead to unnecessary burdens to firearm owners, stores, the public, and police departments. Registration forms will have to be updated with additional users and calibers and permits issued which will require additional police manpower when they are already overwhelmed due to officer shortages and go through the time intensive concealed carry license processing.

5. Won't affect criminals

If the purpose of this bill is to stop criminals from purchasing ammunition, it wont work. Criminals have many ways to obtain ammunition and won't follow this law. They'll get it through straw buyers, steal it, get it on the black market, or import it into the state. There are hundreds of millions of rounds of ammunition in Hawaii and it is a commodity and untraceable. California has had a ammunition background check requirement for the past 5 years which hasn't reduced crime due to the reasons stated above, but it has caused many problems for legal gun owners.

6. This bill is unconstitutional

This restriction on ammunition does not meet the historical tradition standard of the US Supreme Court opinion in NYSRPA v Bruen. Any restrictions on firearms must be rooted in history with laws generally in place in the states at the time of the Constitution Ratification in 1788.

Please oppose this bill. I am available for any questions.

Mahalo,

Todd Yukutake Director Hawaii Firearms Coalition (808) 255-3066 todd@hifico.org

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 11:14:09 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Josh Hekekia	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Testimony SB33

RELATING TO FIREARMS AMMUNITION

Chairman Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair Brandon Elephante and members of Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs committee.

Chairman Mark Nakashima, Vice Chair Jackson Sayama, and members of the Consumer Protection & Commerce

I offer the following comments on Senate Bill (SB)33:

I would like to note that the California law that proposes much of what SB33 proposes is currently before Roger T. Benitez of the Southern District of California. It is one of four firearms bills currently awaiting adjudication in his court docket. The other three are Bonta v. Duncan Magazine Capacity ban; the California Assault Weapons Ban; and one involving a prohibition on the ownership and use of billy clubs.

I will reserve making comments on the chances that of SB 33 is constitutional until after Judge Benitez makes a ruling on this. It is widely expected that Judge Benitez will make a judgement on all four of these cases sometime prior to the end of the currently Hawai'i State Legislature session.

I am not a legally trained attorney, howver, I find that SB 33 is at odds with the NYSPRA v. Bruen ruling of June 2022. The methodology used to adjudicate that case used the Plain Text as informed by History and Tradition doctrine. Previously, courts were allowed to evaluate the constitutionality of firearms regulations through such methodology as the balancing test (public interests vs. private ownership), strict scrutiny, tiered scrutiny, and similar methods. These legal methodologies have been discredited and deemed unlawful by the Bruen ruling. There is only one method that has been deemed lawful in evaluating the constitutionality of gun control regulations. That being the plain text of the Constitution as informed by history and relevant tradition on United States longstanding use and governance of firearms. Furthermore, in the groundbreaking legal rulings previously mentioned (Heller, McDonald, Caetano, and Bruen), the Supreme Court of the United States has determined the time frame to be used is 1791 (ratification of the US Constitution) through the passage of the 14th amendment (1868).

In the Duncan v Bonta Case, Judge Benitez, directed that the California Attorney General's office (Rob Bonta) to provide the court a spreadsheet of all state and national gun control dating from 1791 to 1888 (20 years after the passage of the 14th amendment).

The Final Spreadsheet and Mr. Duncan's representatives responses can be accessed below. It is dated January 9, 2023. This spreadsheet involves all relevant gun control measures nationwide from English law in the 1500s until the present. Not all are of these laws a relevant time period directed by Judge Benitez. None of the laws listed appear to support a regulation of ammunition with related historical analogs.

https://michellawyers.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-01-11-Plaintiffs-Disagreements-re-Defendants-Survey-of-Relevant-Statutes.pdf

If Judge Benitez finds that the California Ammunition Regulation law meets the Bruen Plain Text standard, then the Hawaii Legislature should absolutely move forward with SB33 and make It law. However, it is highly anticipated, even by California Governor Gavin Newsom in a San Francisco Chronicle interview dated February 1, 2023, that Judge Benitez will rule against the State of California in all four of the cases before him.

If so, we civil liberty/2nd Amendment advocates will definitely challenge SB33 if signed into law.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 11:19:09 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Reginald Eubanks	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33. While the intent appears to prevent criminals from possessing ammunition, it really aims to reduce the ammount of ammunition available to the public. Never in the history and traditons of this nation has there been a restricition that directly correlates ammunition with firearms ownership. As an example, many firearm owners can change calibers to meet specific needs by simply swapping a few components. These swaps, whether temporary or permanent, do not change the serialized portion of the firearm. Therefore, the owner could possess multiple types of ammunition for the same firearm without needing to re-register their weapon. There are plenty of other examples such as future purchases, traveling and training, that could require ammunition for firearms that someone does not have proof of owning. Furthermore, who has the manpower, time and other resources to track a system that could do this? Does such a system even exist? More importantly, how will this stop the criminal elements from stealing, transporting, or smuggling their calibers of choice? This is another unnecessary burden on FFLs and law-abidding citizens. Vote NO on SB33 and stop proposing laws like this. California and New York are losing every 2A court battle so don't waste our tax money following in their footsteps.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 11:20:40 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
steven a kumasaka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

STRONGLY OPPOSE

firearms registration information is not allowed to be used in this manner

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<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 11:41:40 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Eric Kaneshiro	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

As a law-abiding U.S. citizen and resident of the State of Hawaii, I believe there are adequate federal and state laws to effectively deal with the unlawful possession and use of firearms by any perpetrator.

I support legislation that mandates a consistent, swift and appropriate penalty for any illegal possession or use of a firearm.

I oppose this bill and will vote accordingly.

This bill may impede my ability to procure accurate and effective hunting ammunition. It could also result in less training by Hawaii's hunters and poorer shooting by reducing ammunition availability.

Please consider the ramifications. Mahalo.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 11:54:06 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael EKM Olderr	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill. Firearms today are by far the most dangerous weapons in human history, but what makes them so dangerous is the ammunition that it uses. And the way guns are bought and sold in this country is already concerning, but the fact that the ammunition is worse is upsetting. It is a no-brainer that the bullets make a gun dangerous, and they can be hazardous on their own if stored or misused on their own. Please pass this bill because it will go a long way to protect your constituents and your fellow citizens.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:16:11 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sue Hornik	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This is a great bill and a no-brainer. It avoids the COnstitutional issue of a right to carry a firearm yet answers citizens concerns about safety by ensuring bad guys with stolen or illegal guns cannot obtain ammunition. I strongly support SB33 and hope you will too!

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:20:54 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bryston Tanigawa	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:33:01 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ted Baldonado	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

SB33

I OPPOSE measure SB33. With the laws already in place. I do NOT see a need for a permit to acquire ammunition. The states permit process is already taxed and cannot support the extra load this measure puts forth. As law abiding citizens, we already have several safety measures in place to lawfully owning a firearm. The process which this measure seeks to do increases the number of documentation required to take with us just to exercise our right to bear arms. I OPPOSE SB 33.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 12:35:10 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Payton Boyd	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

HPD and gun stores are already understaffed creating more disorganization in something so trifling. This also doesn't consider disabled or old gun owners who may send a friend or family member to the store to make a purchase for them. This hurts law abiding gun owners more than it does good. Trivial processes like this are constitutional infringements, no matter how marginal it is.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 1:08:44 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rik Rutt	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am strongly opposed to SB 33. This would provide no benefit to the community let alone provide no added safety. This law would infringe on law abiding citizens and gun owners constitutional rights.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 1:19:03 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael A. Wee	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly OPPOSE SB33. This bill is a waste of time and resources. It will not do anything to improve public safety. All it does it make it harder for law-abing citizens to obtain ammunition. By doing so, this measure will just enable criminal behavior. Criminals will obtain ammunition from the same sources that supply illegal firearms.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 1:09:54 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
steven lee	Individual	Oppose	In Person

Comments:

I very strongly oppose SB33.

I've been a hunter and a sportsman in Hawaii for nearly 50 years.

SB33 states incorrectly that "ammunition...is what renders firearms dangerous." It attempts to restrict the transfer of ammunition and shell casings. The truth is, criminals and their bad behavior is what make firearms dangerous.

SB33 would impose unreasonable burdens on Hawaii's law-abiding citizens and infringe on their constitutional rights. SB33 woulde make it illegal for a hunter to give a cartridge to his hunting partner.

This provisions in this bill are unworkable. It's clear that they were drafted by people who are unfamiliar with the shooting sports and the making of ammunition.

For example, SB33 would require buyers of ammunition to demonstrate that they are "the registered owner of the firearm for which the ammunition or shell casings are to be purchased."

I have a hunting rifle that is registered as a 28 caliber rifle. However, I have 4 other barrels chambered in different calibers that I use interchangeably in that rifle.

SB33 states, "A registered owner of a firearm may be issued a permit to purchase ammunition of a caliber that is not the caliber listed on the registered firearm by demonstrating to the police department. That the firearm is capable of firing a caliber of ammunition that is not the caliber listed on the registration of the firearm." Most rifles are capable of shoot dozens of different cartridges with a simple replacement of the barrel.

In my opinion, the restrictions on ammunition and shell cases proposed by SB33 are crazy. It's as crazy as placing similar restrictions on golf clubs, baseball bats and steak knives because they can all be used by criminals as deadly weapons. Placing such burdensome and restrictive controls on these items would disrupt the lives of law-abiding citizens to a much greater extent, than they would deter criminals from being able to acquire and use these items in crimes.

SB33 is bad. It infringes on our rights... rights that are guaranteed to us by the United States Constitution. If SB33 were to be passed, it's likely to be found unconstitutional in federal court and repealed.

For these, and many other reasons, I strongly oppose SB33

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 1:46:23 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Robert Hechtman	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33

Thank you,

Robert Hechtman

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 10:07:41 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brandon Allen Kainoa Leong	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly Oppose SB33. Here is another bill that will not do anything to prevent criminals from getting ammo. Registration of firearms only keeps people who follow the laws from purchasing firearms. Criminals do not go to a gun shop, gun show or private purchaser in the state of Hawaii to buy firearms. They either steal them or buy them on the black market where the legal process to purchase the firearms is circumvented. The same will happen to ammo if this bill is passed.

By passing this bill you will also make it difficult for firearms instructors to purchase ammo for the classes that we teach. Groups like LIFE Lessons In Firearms Education as an organization doesn't provide the guns that are used in our classes but we do provide the ammo for the class. Instructors volunteer their time and firearms to be shot by students taking the class. It is the organizations responsibility to provide the ammo. Usually the person in the organization doesn't or may not have all of the calibers of firearms shot at the class but will need to purchase the ammo for the instructors that do.

While you may think this is a good idea on paper it is really a waste of time. Similar bills like this were introduced in the past and have failed. Why are you bringing back bills like this and wasting time. Also this will stop someone who can legally borrow a long gun from a friend for 14 days to not be able to purchase ammo for the long gun.

Brandon Leong

VP Hawaii Rifle Association

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 10:26:18 AM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
DAVE SMITH	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Just a reminder "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed...

The idea of someone exercising their rights may make you bedwetters afraid of your own shadows, but if you don't want to own a firearm & ammo then don't own one, but quit imposing your insecurities and lack of understanding of the Constitution and natural law on the rest of us.

The government does not grant us these Rights, they enumerate them.

The fact that you can't even control the entry of illegal fireworks into the market should prove that these infringing overreach will be laughable at best.

Giving you feckless elected officials anymore power is banality of evil.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 1:46:47 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kelly Lim	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

My name is Kelly Lim, and I submit testimony against the proposal to require a permit to purchase or possess ammunition. I strongly oppose this measure because it would place an unnecessary burden on law-abiding citizens who use firearms responsibly. This measure would also create an undue financial burden on those who wish to purchase ammunition, and would potentially discourage responsible gun owners from participating in recreational shooting activities. Furthermore, this proposal does nothing to address the root causes of gun violence or to deter criminals from using illegal firearms. It would not prevent someone from obtaining ammunition illegally, and would only serve to restrict the rights of law-abiding citizens. Finally, I believe that this proposal would be an ineffective use of resources. Requiring permits for ammunition purchases would be costly and time-consuming for the government, and would not lead to any tangible benefit for public safety or crime prevention. In conclusion, I urge you to reject this proposal and to focus your efforts on more effective measures to address gun violence and crime. Thank you for your time and consideration.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 2:42:52 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dwayne Lim	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

My name is Dwayne Lim, and I am writing to provide testimony to oppose the proposed requirement for registration of ammunition purchases. This requirement would infringe on the rights of law-abiding citizens and would not be an effective tool to prevent acts of violence. First, this requirement would impose an unnecessary burden on law-abiding citizens, who are not a threat to public safety. Requiring individuals to register when they purchase ammunition would create an obstacle to the exercise of their Second Amendment rights, and would not prevent violent criminals from obtaining ammunition. Second, the registration of ammunition purchases would be costly and difficult to enforce. Given the large number of individuals who legally purchase ammunition, it would be difficult to keep track of who purchases ammunition and where it is stored. Furthermore, the cost of implementing and enforcing an ammunition registration system would be significant, with taxpayers having to bear the burden of these costs. Third, such a requirement would be an ineffective tool to prevent violence. Data from the Bureau of Justice Statistics shows that the majority of firearms used in crimes were obtained illegally, and therefore would not be subject to registration. It is also likely that a registration system would not be able to prevent individuals with ill intent from obtaining ammunition. In conclusion, I urge the legislature to reject SB33. Thank you.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 2:47:16 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sam Cavitt	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a citizen of USA and Hawaii resident and law abiding firearms owner. I own firearms as a hobbyist, admirer of the technology and sportsman all of which fall under my unalienable right as an American of the pursuit of happiness and as an American with the constitutional second amendment right to do so. This bill is in direct conflict with my right to privacy and also my right do due process as it disregards these rights in order for me to pursue the previously stated rights of pursuit of happiness and my second amendment rights. All of these fundamental American principles must be upheld.

This bill unilaterally disregards the rights of a significant portion of our country in favor of the convenience and expediency of another segment's ideology. No American individual or agency should have the power to exercise that type of authority without due process. As such, this bill if passed will undoubtedly be overturned on constitutional grounds. Rendering this entire process an irresponsible waste of time and resources as well as a harassment as noted above.

Thank you

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 3:26:12 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ryan Willis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

OPPOSE

Ammunition used in firearms does not render firearms dangerous, PEOPLE with ill intent render firearms dangerous.

We do not limit or scrutinize the sale or acquisition of paper or ink to exercise our RIGHT of freedom of speech or press.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 3:27:10 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
tony frascarelli	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill as it will have no effect on Hawaii's escalating crime rate. Prohibited persons will simply have someone buy ammo for them. It also places undue requirements and expense on small businesses as well as on our understaffed police departments who will have to enforce such a law.

It's sad that certain legislators continue to propose useless legislation such as this. What is needed is to enact legislative term limits to bring in new politicians and new ideas.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 3:40:11 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Duke malczon	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This law will do nothing to stop criminals. Criminals don't care about, thats why they are criminals.



<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 3:55:41 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kanoe Willis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

OPPOSE

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<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 3:56:16 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Romeo Yadao	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support this bill. This will not prevent straw purchases for prohibited people that owns/obtains illegal firearms. This also will cause unnecessary burdens to law abiding citizens, police dept, local gun shops and others.

The Honorable Jarrett Keohokalole, Chairman The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chairman Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Hawaii State Capitol, Room 229 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813



Dear Chairman Nishihara; Vice Chairman Wakai,

I am writing to register my STRONG OPPOSITION to Senate Bill 33 (SB 33), the proposed regulation on the sales of ammunition.

I oppose this bill for many reasons. To enumerate a few:

1) This bill will do nothing to prevent criminals from using firearms to commit crimes. Criminals obtain their firearms and ammunition in ways which are outside the realm of customary commerce, and so the bill will be completely irrelevant in preventing the commission of crimes with firearms.

2) The bill will make it more difficult and expensive for law abiding citizens to obtain ammunition and reloading components for lawful purposes. This is patently absurd. The onerous licensing provisions are clearly meant to discourage people from exercising their right to keep and bear arms. There is NO benefit to preventing crime or tragedy. But only punitive to the law abiding.

3) Owners of firearms registered in the State before registration was required will not even be allowed to purchase ammunition for their legally owned firearms. This is plainly unfair, and once again a blatant violation of the 2nd Amendment.

4) Current owners of firearms have licenses without any way to officially record an "alternate person", who will be allowed to purchase ammuntion for said firearm. This will lay yet another paperwork burden on the citizen that the State will require in order to lawfully exercise a reserved right under the Constitution. Once again, this is blatantly in violation of the 2nd Amendment, which is not a 2nd class right.

So. PLEASE vote AGAINST this bill.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Russell Price 1707 Bertram St. Honolulu, Hawaii 96816 808-763-9653 rnfrmprice@gmail.com

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 5:05:02 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alan Miller	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill. Hawaii already has some of the strictest firearm laws in the country. This bill would cause many problems for firearm owners and their friends/family. While doing nothing to increase public safety. It would just create more hassles and burden. Friends and family would no longer be able to purchase ammo for one another. Lots of times I will tell new shooters (who do not yet own firearms) that want to go to the range with me, what calibers to buy and they can bring that ammo to shoot in my guns, so that I don't have to shoot any of my more expensive specialty ammo.

Also for some firearm owners it would make it illegal for us to buy ammunition for our firearms. Some firearms are able to utilize quick change barrels that allow one firearm to shoot multiple calibers. I own multiple barrel options for some of my firearms. The registration only lists the original caliber that the firearm was purchased with, and does not include the new caliber barrels that I own. Therefore I would not be able to buy ammo legally for aftermarket barrels even though the firearm is legally owned and properly registered in Hawaii under its original configuration when it was purchased.

Also some firearms are listed as multi-caliber from the factory and would make it impossible to properly enforce this law. And would limit law abiding citizens from being able to exercise their second amendment right with legally owned and registered firearms.



<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 5:43:39 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gary Hashimoto	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a certified range safety officer, I've been teaching people how to shoot safely for almost 40 years. Often, I have them purchase their own ammunition when I take them shooting at the range. I don't deal with criminals, this is an unnecessary burden on law-abiding citizens and it won't hinder the criminals at all. I also volunteer at shooting sports open houses, and this will make things impractical for all parties. I've bought ammunition for friends while on the way to the range or as a gift, again, this inconveniences me and doesn't slow down criminal activity one bit.

some of you continue to introduce ridiculous legislation that is not going to do anything to curb crime, we continue to punish lega firearms owners and let criminals continue with their behavior.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 6:23:08 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Donald Correia	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not supported overreaching government.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:02:54 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Woody Child	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB33.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 7:14:52 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kevin J. Cole	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I oppose SB33. What is the purpose of this proposed law? It will not stop any determined felon or perpetrator. It will only make life difficult for law abiding citizens. Would it be illegal to share ammunition at a contest? How about buying ammunition at a firing range?

This pending law has not been thought through thoroughly. It should not be implemented.

V/R

Kevin J. Cole, Col USAF ret.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:49:44 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Willy Colt	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Senators,

Lawful gun owners do not break laws. Hawaii gun owners are ranked 4th least in the nation with 14.9% of adults having guns at home. (cbsnews) That is about 208,000 residents based on a total population of 1,400,000. These 208,000 residents are voters, lawyers, doctors, teachers, professionals and lawful citizens.

And gun deaths in Hawaii are at 2.5 deaths for every 100,000 residents. This figure is already one of the lowest in the nation.

Gun laws in Hawaii are airtight as they are. The proof is in the low numbers. No new laws are needed. More laws to restrict lawful citizens makes as much sense as putting a cart in front of the horse. It would make it more difficult for buyers and sellers of firearms. HPD would be further taxed by enforcing more laws. It would not make it hard for the bad guys. Criminals do not follow the law.

Sincerely,

Willy Colt

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Only

Comments:

To whom it may concern,

I oppose SB33 because it's sound like a ridiculous idea to have to show any proof of what caliber of firearm I own in order to purchase ammunition. The whole idea sound like a sneaky shady way to take away our freedom and the right to practice our second amendment right, to make such a law would be unAmerican and a switch to socialism. I have a better idea that would be reasonable and has more common sense. I propose to just show identification and the gun shop would be able to enter the information in a database to see if the customer is a felon. That way we prevent the crooks from buying ammunition not the good citizen.

If the lawmakers keep coming up with laws that has no common sense the good citizen will always lose. If you want to do something like limiting how much of an item someone can purchase why don't the lawmakers make a law to limit how much alcohol a person can purchase every 2 weeks or in a month. In addition, why not limit how many cars one person can own. Alcohol and vehicles kill many people in DUI accidents and a vehicles can be used as a weapon so maybe we should start with alcohol and vehicles and see how it goes then we will see if SB33 would be a good idea.

Thank you,

Chris

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mark Fiesta	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am against this bill. This takes away our rights to bear arms. Legislators, per say, are clearly adding more requirements in order to prevent people from purchasing ammunition, —as if this will discourage them from doing so. With no ammunition, these guns are useless. Amendment 2 states "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed". To my understanding, this is our proof of evidence that we are allowed to keep guns and ammunition as a tool for security in our homes, for our families, and ourselves.

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	Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
	Tysen Pasco-Brown	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS BILL. This may seem like something to make hawaii safer from gun violence but the reality is it only makes it harder for people wanting to protect themselves. Why can't I have my brother or a friend run to the store to grab ammo for me? The people that have illegal guns just buy reloaded ammo off the street and bring in illegal ammo just like fireworks or drugs. This bill is not going to do anything.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Anthony Loui	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha!

This testimony is in relation to SB33 that requires proof of registration to purchase ammunition of that caliber listed.

I oppose this bill and argue it puts an unreasonable amount of burden on the regular citizen that does not intend to break the law. Not only do they have to worry about losing their registration or a copy of the registration (the bill does not specify if a copy of the registration would suffice). They would also have to worry about the wasted time spent in traffic if they simply forget their registration at home. Also, there exist firearms that are able to change their caliber as a feature of the firearm. If the registration does not show the other calibers I would have to assume they cannot purchase ammunition for the conversion kits.

From a business perspective, I would argue that this would hurt their sales of ammunition which is the bread and butter of gun stores. This would keep friends or students of gun classes from being able to purchase their own ammunition as a way to not add cost to their friend or the class instructor. For new firearm owners, they would have to wait until the end of their firearm acquisition process before they can even purchase ammunition adding to the cost of time and gas requiring more trips to the gun store. This bill would also add more unneeded time per interaction with each customer taking away from the store's total number of customers being able to be serviced in a given day.

Not to mention that I feel the point of the bill is to help keep criminals from obtaining ammunition to be used in dubious events. In that regard, this would not help that cause either. If they are criminals with convictions/felonies then they cannot own firearms to even begin with. Yet you hear multiple news stories about them still being involved in shootings against the police or regular citizens. In those cases, they use illegal means to acquire the firearms whether through theft or using someone else that is legal to purchase for them. I would assume they would use similar methods to defeat what this bill is trying to attempt. On top of that there is commercially available reloading equipment so that if inclined, they could reload their own ammunition without any real way to track sales. On top of that, I would argue it would be more dangerous as they could reload ammunition however they want including making them exceed what is commercially available allowing their ammunition to do more damage and be a real unknown quantity in how law enforcement has to deal with them. The portion of the bill requiring a state-issued identification or similar to be presented and a record kept by the store is something that I feel would actually help in the effort to track ammunition purchases for at least one step. How effective it would actually be would have to consult with law enforcement agencies that actually do that type of work and ask them for their input.

Thank you and mahalo for your time and attention.



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jeannine Johnson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in strong support of this bill and ask for yours. Mahalo.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Vivek Pathela	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

OPPOSE. THOSE VIOLATES THE 2ND AMMENDMENT.

<u>SB-33</u> Submitted on: 2/10/2023 2:45:54 PM Testimony for PSM on 2/10/2023 10:00:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This Violates The 2nd Amendment. Witch You can be prosicuted For. Stop Fooling with the 2nd Amendement this is a Violation of our Rights!!!!!!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jonathan Hanki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I oppose Bill SB33.

Mahalo and have a nice day