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Dear Chairman John Barker and members of the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs:

I OPPOSE House Bill HB2220.

I have been an adjunct instructor at the university and community college level for 22 years. I personally can think of at least two occasions that, if guns had been readily available on campus, I may have gotten shot by young, volatile, perhaps unbalanced students who were upset by a poor grade, or other issue. These were extremely frightening experiences. In addition, I have had students confide to me about a roommate they were unnerved by due to anger issues or drug and alcohol use, and at the time, I encouraged them to remove themselves from the situation to ensure their personal safety. Concern for personal safety on campus regarding guns is not uncommon among students, faculty, and university staff when discussing this issue. College campuses are no place for guns. Universities must be allowed to make policy regarding this issue.

Universities should have local control on how guns are regulated on their campuses since this affects the safety of their students and faculty (HB2220). This bill strips universities from making policies regarding handguns, which affects the safety of all who live and work on campuses.

Thank you for your consideration,

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