

Members of the Committee-

I'm Semie Rogers. I became involved with Moms Demand Action after my son Rowan Padgett was shot to death in a robbery in Olathe on March 29th, 2019, two weeks before he would have turned 18.

The effect of his death on our family has been profound and is something we always will have to live with, every minute of every day. The young man who shot him had recently turned 18. He is a statistic--one that shows that young people with access to guns are more likely to commit gun homicides than people over 21.

Car insurance companies know young people have higher rates of accidents, that's why they charge higher rates for young drivers. Why we would want to allow these young people to carry concealed handguns is beyond my comprehension.

I want to prevent needless deaths by guns. No mother should have to go through what our family has been through. If these bills make it into law, almost certainly kids will end up dead who should be alive, the way my son should be alive.

Thanks,  
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