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RE: SB 137, Constitutional Carry

Dear Senator Frierson,

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

SB 137 follows the growing trend of states in the union to allow law-abiding citizens to carry a handgun concealed without a permit as long as they are not legally debarred from owning a firearm. Of the states that have done so, Alaska, Arizona, Vermont and Wyoming, none have experienced any problems, either administratively or criminally. People in those states exercising what has come to be called constitutional carry have demonstrated by their responsible behavior that their guns are in safe hands.

This bill would also eliminate the Clark County handgun registration program. Many of our members disagree with this program and the Sheriff has not been able to produce any documents with its effectiveness nor efficiency. Since he is asking for more funds, he should be directed to eliminate ineffective programs before requesting more funding.

We strongly support this bill, and ask that you afford it an early committee hearing and facilitate its passage.

Sincerely yours,

Randy Mackie, Vice President
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