

Testimony against HB638

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these bans on undetectable firearms is simply a solution in search of a problem that does not exist in the real world, much less on the streets of Maryland. Groundless fears should not be the basis of public policy, especially where Federal law already imposes a nationwide ban on any such devices.

It sounds like you would be banning a block of steel because it COULD be turned into a firearm. Requiring description and names to be printed on something that COULD become a firearm. This is impossible.

If this bill became law, few existing, otherwise law-abiding owners of these homemade guns will know or realize that possession of their existing firearms or unfinished frames has been banned. Actual compliance by existing owners will thus likely be virtually non-existent. In short, the bill is utterly **pointless** as a public safety measure. It would succeed only in penalizing otherwise law-abiding hobbyists. That result is not sound public policy.

I recommend an unfavorable report on this bill