

HOUSE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER: HB 2304/SB116

Support _____ Oppose XXXX Neutral _____

Testimony Will Be: In Person Oral _____ Webex Oral _____ Written Only XX

For Meeting on February 21, 2023

(Date)

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Please oppose HB 2304/SB116 which would require kids in public schools go through the National Rifle Association's "Eddie Eagle" program. This program puts the onus of gun safety on children rather than the adults in their lives. This program has been deemed inappropriate and ineffective by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Basically, "Eddie Eagle," teaches kids not to touch guns without permission, and only to tell an adult if they find one. This program does nothing to assure that guns are properly stored by adults, away from curious children.

For these reasons, I urge you to oppose this ineffective program. Thank you for your time.