

Testimony on HB 2211

Thank you for the opportunity to testify against the passage of HB 2211 allowing the Adjutant General to have the power to detain individuals his office determines a threat to our society.

My greatest fear is the Adjutant General is not an elected official who serves us but a man like others who takes orders from those higher up. Is he trained to recognize a terrorist threat or he going to act on orders against someone like me who has a strong love of country and dedication to God. The current administration in DC defines Christian Nationalists as terrorists. I know it sounds ridiculous that we law abiding citizens could be considered a danger to society, but in this current environment, I am defined a racist because my skin color is too light.

Americans today feel threatened they are losing the rights of freedom granted to us so long ago and we are hoping you will stop this bill before it gets out of committee. My past experience with a previous Adjutant General convinced me he was heavily influenced by DC and in conversations with individuals sent from DC to Homeland Security I found they did not even know how to identify basic Islamic doctrine that defines a terrorist threat. The enemy is not us.

I am grateful for the sacrifices made by our National Guard and the assistance they provide in times of emergency. They are fine hard working people with a love of country like me. Please don't make them into something else.

Thanks again for considering my testimony,

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