



## LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

MICHIGAN

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January 23, 2013

Dear Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

On behalf of the League of Women Voters of Michigan, I am writing to ask you to oppose SB 63, the bill to establish the Michigan Firearms Freedom Act. This legislation will exempt a personal firearm that has been manufactured and remained in Michigan from federal law or federal regulation.

Since 1990, the League of Women Voters has advocated for the protection of citizens' health and safety through limiting the accessibility and regulating the ownership of handguns and semi-automatic weapons. We supported the original federal ban on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines when it was passed in 1994. We also support requiring all dealers to run criminal background checks at gun shows.

Michigan will fail to protect its citizens if it exempts firearms manufactured in the State from federal gun regulations and laws.

We urge you to oppose this legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan Kay Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Susan Smith, President  
League of Women Voters of Michigan