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WITNESS NAME: <b>Mark Johnson</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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It's time to allow Missouri Concealed Carry Permit Holders to carry on public transit in Missouri. It's obvious to anybody that pays attention to the news that criminals are already carrying illegally on public transit. It's time to level the playing field and allow law abiding citizens to carry on public transit. Also, I find it ridiculous that my Missouri Permit allows me to carry on public transit in Philadelphia, PA, but not St. Louis, MO. I'd also like to remind you of this bit of the Missouri Constitution: Section 23. Right to keep and bear arms, ammunition, and certain accessories — exception — rights to be unalienable. — That the right of every citizen to keep and bear arms, ammunition, and accessories typical to the normal function of such arms, in defense of his home, person, family and property, or when lawfully summoned in aid of the civil power, shall not be questioned. The rights guaranteed by this section shall be unalienable. Any restriction on these rights shall be subject to strict scrutiny and the state of Missouri shall be obligated to uphold these rights and shall under no circumstances decline to protect against their infringement. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the general assembly from enacting general laws which limit the rights of convicted violent felons or those adjudicated by a court to be a danger to self or others as result of a mental disorder or mental infirmity. I would have taken a day off to drive down and testify in person, but I'm only half vaccinated, as I suppose are many of you. Please give this statement the weight you would give to an in-person statement in better times.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>Rona Schaefer</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am in support of being able to carry your concealed firearm on the public transit.



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**My name is Scott Jones and I am submitting testimony on behalf of the tens of thousands of members of the National Rifle Association in Missouri to express our support of House Bill 52. This important legislation would remove the prohibition on law abiding concealed carry permit holders from exercising their fundamental right to self-defense while using publicly funded transportation systems. Missourians across the state utilize public transportation for a variety of reasons such as getting to and from work, visiting friends or family or simply running errands. Simply put, this bill is about enhancing safety for users of public transportation. Self-defense situations are difficult if not impossible to anticipate and law-abiding citizens should not be required to disarm and be rendered defenseless simply because they utilize public transportation. It is important to note that this bill would not allow those without a concealed carry permit, such as those carrying under Missouri's constitutional carry law, to carry concealed firearms on publicly funded transportation systems. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of this bill and I would respectfully ask that you vote yes on House Bill 52.**



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I would like to submit the following written testimony to be entered into the record and distributed to members of the General Laws Committee as part of the hearing on HB 52 scheduled for Monday, February 1 at 6pm. I wish to lend my support to HB 52. For the record, being that I live in a slightly rural area outside of Springfield, the use of public transit is not a service that I find myself needing to use in daily life. However, when it comes to concealed carry legislation I try to put myself into the situations of the women who would be affected by its passage or the failure of. I had never given thought to this particular situation until I saw a similar bill proposed last session. My immediate reaction to the thought of a woman being unable to carry just because of her need to take a bus throughout her day; was one of anger. Laws, regardless of the intent behind them have consequences, both good and bad. In this case I judge the bad far outweighs the good. Imagine a woman (or man) who daily walks a good distance to catch the bus and perhaps a bit more of a walk to her place of work. Then at the end of the day, repeats this to return to her home. Now add to this visual having to travel the streets of a more crime prone area. Current law requires her to be unarmed this entire time if she wishes to remain a law-abiding citizen -unacceptable. She does have the unpalatable option of ignoring the law and hoping she is never caught doing so. Because to put it frankly, she could sincerely feel that the need for protection is worth this risk. The better solution however, is to remove this barrier that prevents her from being lawfully responsible for her own safety to and from work every day. As I stated in my written testimony in support of HB212: Those who choose to carry firearms for self-defense deserve to have laws on the books which support this lifestyle instead of being road blocks to it. I urge the Committee members to vote in support of HB52. Thank you, Susan Myers Missouri State Director – The DC Project - Women for Gun Rights SWMO Chapter Leader - TAWW Shooting Chapters (The Well Armed Woman)



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**We believe this is a local control issue and should be decided as such. Thank you.**



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