DFL Bills like HF 3672 - State Firearms Preemption Repeal, and HF 2828 - Ban on Carry at Government Buildings and Land, seem to have one characteristic in common: They appear written from a single perspective, a one-dimensional viewpoint, a very narrow frame of reference, and that is, they are written as if government knows best. Such laws ultimately usurp the common sense of law abiding citizens. And moreover, they egregiously form the basis for consolidating government power. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to see how such power could be perfidiously wielded by a dictator. It is un-constitutional and anti-American.

The proposed bills would potentially invite grossly variable enforcement based on variable jurisdictional interpretations. The potential for such variability wouldn't just make implementation impractical. The resulting control patchwork, like the State of Minnesota's patchwork of seniority units negotiated by their several employee Unions, which can just as easily be manipulated to get rid of any employee, could serve as nefarious appendages to be exploited by any dictatorship. It is a veritable Pandora's Box the DFL is inviting here.

Overlapping enforcement jurisdictions, potentially conflicting interpretations and implementations at various governmental levels and jurisdictions, could easily jeopardize enforcement economies of scale. Imagine being so busy trying to enforce variable laws depending on a plethora of implementations and jurisdictions, that in trying to avoid being sued for misapplication, law enforcement is unduly distracted to the point it overshadows holding real criminals accountable. And all the while, law abiding Minnesotans would be expected to tolerate such incompetence, while being forced to navigate the uncertainty of not knowing what applies where, while being exposed to greater risk of increased criminality as a result. To that I say NO. Gun grabber zealots' exploitation of Metro Area crime problems is hardly justification for drafting laws that would only pollute greater Minnesota with crime. Stop trying to use the Metro Area's self inflicted problems as a lever to infringe on Minnesotans' inalienable human rights. Stop trying to defy the common sense of law abiding citizens using perfidious laws precariously drafted based on some misguided sense of empathy, if in fact that is what this is.

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