

HB 1152 - H AMD 1750

By Representative Griffey

NOT CONSIDERED 03/12/2026

1 On page 1, after line 8, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the Washington
3 state Constitution, in Article I, section 24, states that the "right
4 of the individual citizen to bear arms in defense of himself, or the
5 state, shall not be impaired," and that this foundational right
6 applies to individuals who exercise it to assure their personal
7 security in their homes and elsewhere. The legislature also finds that
8 efforts to improve public safety cannot impair an individual's
9 constitutional right to defend himself or herself. It is the intent of
10 the legislature to support public safety by encouraging safe storage
11 of lawfully owned firearms without impairing or limiting any lawful
12 gun owner's constitutional right to self-defense. It is the intent of
13 the legislature that nothing in state statutory law shall impair or
14 infringe any Washingtonian's constitutional rights."

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16 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
17 internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Adds legislative intent section that cites the state constitutional provisions regarding the right to bear arms, makes a finding that efforts to improve public safety cannot impair an individual's constitutional right to defend himself or herself, and expresses legislative intent to encourage safe storage of lawfully owned firearms without impairing or limiting constitutional rights.

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