

I am writing in support of hb 1193, removing the requirement that someone defending themselves with deadly force must first retreat.

That is utterly ridiculous in its face. It is MY home and the use of deadly force could have been avoided by the criminal invader not engaging in criminal activity in my home.

Imagine asking a country being invaded to be required first to retreat... prior to engaging the aggressors.

The criminal forfeited their rights when they violated the sanctity of the home.

It also should not be expected that someone defending their home should be expected to "fall back" and try to determine the true motives of an intruder.

It is high time to stop the decriminalization of criminal behaviors and the criminalization of exercising our inalienable rights.

Sincerely

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