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RE: Oppose **SB 318 Firearms in Unfair Practices Act**

Mr./Madame Chair and Committee Members:

Better Together New Mexico (BTNM) brings together hundreds of advocacy groups and thousands of New Mexicans statewide. Our mission is to unite New Mexicans through grassroots initiatives and work to positively shape the decisions that affect our lives, families, and communities.

BTNM strongly opposes SB 318, which expands firearm regulations under the Unfair Practices Act. The bill broadly redefines "destructive devices" and "firearms," while also regulating accessories, parts, and ammunition. Though intended to expand consumer protections, these vague and sweeping changes could have serious consequences for law-abiding gun owners and the firearms industry in New Mexico.

SB 318 poses a serious threat to Second Amendment rights by imposing vague and overly broad regulations on firearms, parts, and accessories. It could lead to excessive restrictions on lawful sales, repairs, and modifications, making it more difficult for responsible gun owners to exercise their rights. By expanding government oversight and enabling lawsuits against manufacturers and dealers, this bill creates unnecessary barriers to firearm ownership and commerce, potentially violating Supreme Court precedents protecting access to commonly used firearms.

For the reasons stated, I urge you to vote NO on SB 318 Firearms in Unfair Practices Act.

Thank you for considering my comments,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carla J. Sonntag".

**Carla J. Sonntag**  
President and CEO