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Assemblyman John Ocegura
Nevada Assembly
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Assemblyman Ocegura,

Due to the information that has reached me concerning four gun bills sponsored by other legislators, I am compelled to ask you your reasoning for plagiarizing other legislators work and sweeping their bills into your omnibus bill? I hope that in your zest for self promotion and aggrandizement in trying to receive a coveted A+ rating from the National Rifle Association that you haven't jeopardized the ability to pass sensible and much needed legislation concerning the gun rights of Nevadans. Assemblymen Bobzien, Smith, Goicoechea, and Horne put forth their bill AB 143 on February 11, 2011; Assemblyman Goedhart put forth his bill AB 185 on February 17, 2011; Assemblymen Hickey, Hansen, Bobzien, and Anderson put forth their bill AB 205 on February 23, 2011; and Senator Settelmyer and I put forth SB 126 on February 4, 2011. Your bill was not introduced until March 15th.

Not only are you standing in the way of passage of these measures you have shown callous disregard for the rights of colleagues during a time of badly needed bipartisanship. Those of us in a senior position in the legislature should hold ourselves to a higher level of responsibility and pass on to the new legislators the proper principles of governance as they grow into our State's next generation of leadership.

I implore you to add the names of the offended Assemblyman legislators to your bill in the order of the date their bills were introduced with your name listed last and allow SB 126 sponsored by James Settelmyer to be sent to work session. Doing this will show to them your contrition and respect for our legislative process and members by recognizing their efforts to pass sensible gun rights legislation in Nevada.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. Lee". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "L".

Senator John J. Lee

Cc: Majority Leader Steven Horsford
Senator James Settelmeyer
Assemblyman David Bodzien
Assemblywoman Debbie Smith
Assemblyman Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman William Horne
Assemblyman Ed Goedhart
Assemblyman Pat Hickey
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