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HB26-1255 Social Media Duty to Report & Search Warrants

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Name, Position, Representing	Typed Text of Testimony
Tim Berg For themselves	Rep Story has brought forth many important bills and this one is absolutely essential. I believe there were similar issues at Columbine HS with many warnings well before the tragedy. Please support Rep Story on this and all her bills
Sarah Davidon For themselves	<p>My name is Sarah Davidon. I am the mother of a senior at Evergreen High School who was present on September 10, 2025, when Desmond Holly opened fire on his classmates and then turned the gun on himself. My son witnessed a school shooter's suicide. That is not something a teenager recovers from quickly. Six months later, I still watch him carefully; the way he goes quiet at dinner, the way certain sounds make him flinch. Our family is still living in that aftermath.</p> <p>What makes September 10th so hard to accept is how knowable the threat was. The ADL flagged Holly's TikTok accounts to the FBI in July 2025, two full months before the shooting. The FBI opened an assessment but could never identify Holly by name, because there was no legal requirement for TikTok to report his threatening content to local law enforcement. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, the agency that arrived on scene within two and a half minutes, had no idea he existed as a threat. The gap between what the platform knew and what local law enforcement knew was not a gap of effort. It was a gap of law.</p> <p>HB26-1255 closes that gap. It requires platforms to report flagged, imminent threats to a user's local law enforcement agency within</p>

	<p>24 hours. It requires platforms to maintain a staffed law enforcement hotline, acknowledge search warrants within eight hours, and comply within 24 hours. These are not sweeping mandates. They apply when a threat has already been flagged and is already in a platform's hands. They simply ensure that information reaches the agency with actual jurisdiction to act on it.</p> <p>Had this law been in place in July 2025, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office might have had two months to intervene in Desmond Holly's life. My son would not have seen what he saw. Please pass this bill.</p>
<p>Sandi Middleton Middleton Against themselves</p>	<p>This bill is a direct affront to free speech. I don't know the cost either how many people and companies would be involved. It sounds like something that would cost the taxpayers more of their hard earned dollars. Vote no on this bill for the betterment of Colorado. Also why is there pronouns on the testimony form? That's the most ridiculous thing I've seen</p>
<p>Judith Johnson For themselves</p>	<p>Dear Committee Members:</p> <p>Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill, proposed by my Representative Tammy Story and my neighboring Senator Lisa Cutter.</p> <p>Please vote yes on HB26-1255.</p> <p>As a mom in Evergreen, with a kindergartener who was on lockdown while a high school student next door shot two classmates and killed himself, this is a heavy topic for me and I am sure you've heard or will be hearing lots of similar testimony today from the Evergreen community.</p> <p>This bill comes as a result of lessons learned. This child posted photos of the weapon on social media prior to the shooting. It was</p>

	<p>found that he was members of multiple extremist discussion groups and had posted many times regarding his fascination with causing harm to others and mass shootings. There are many things that likely could have been done in this case to prevent the trauma our community is now reeling from, but if this can be one step toward stopping any other community from going through this, we should take that step.</p> <p>Thank you for your time,</p> <p>Judith Johnson</p> <p>Evergreen CO</p>
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