



May 12th, 2026

The Honorable Anna Stava
Stratton Office Building
401 S. Spring Street 200-1S
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Representative Stava,

On behalf of AMAC Action, the advocacy affiliate of the Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC), with over 2.1 million members nationwide, including over 64,800 members residing in Illinois, I write to express our concerns regarding HB 4414.

AMAC Action strongly supports the constitutional right of law-abiding Americans to keep and bear arms. For many seniors and families across Illinois, this right remains closely tied to personal safety, self-defense, and the preservation of individual liberty. As such, we are concerned that HB 4414 could place additional burdens on lawful firearm owners without meaningfully addressing criminal misuse of firearms or ammunition.

The bill's proposed serialization requirements for individual projectiles could significantly increase manufacturing and compliance costs throughout the ammunition supply chain. Those additional costs would likely be passed along to consumers, making ammunition less affordable for responsible gun owners, including many seniors living on fixed incomes.

Imposing substantial financial and administrative burdens on the lawful exercise of a constitutional right raises important constitutional and policy questions. Courts have historically scrutinized laws that create indirect barriers to the exercise of protected rights, and AMAC Action believes this proposal deserves careful reconsideration in that context.

We respectfully encourage you to reconsider HB 4414 and to pursue approaches that focus enforcement efforts on violent criminals rather than imposing additional requirements on law-abiding citizens.

Thank you, Representative Stava, for your time and consideration of our views. We appreciate your public service and welcome continued dialogue on policies that protect both public safety and constitutional freedoms.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Bengtson". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jennifer Bengtson
Vice President
AMAC Action