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Mr. Jack Iannantuono
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Dear Mr. Iannantuono:

Thank you for taking the time to contact me concerning House Bill 760, legislation introduced in the State House titled the Firearm Registration Act. As always, I appreciate your views and concerns.

As State Senator, and a long-standing member of the Senate Game and Fisheries Committee, I actively support our responsible sportsmen throughout the Lehigh Valley and Commonwealth. It is imperative that we enforce current Commonwealth law already in place concerning illegal guns. Our constitution specifically protects citizens' right to bear arms in defense of themselves and the state. This should be a continued policy for all Pennsylvania citizens.

Currently in Pennsylvania, every potential gun buyer must go through a state-based criminal background check in addition to a federal check, both at gun shows and federally licensed stores. Also, minors are restricted from purchasing or possessing any gun without authorized permission. Ultimately, personal responsibility and accountability are imperative as our citizens use firearms—and thousands of them already do.

The right to bear arms is an important freedom that needs to be protected for all law-abiding citizens. With these beliefs in mind, you have my assurances that I will always keep the interests of legitimate gun owners in mind when legislation relating to gun control issues comes before me in the Senate. In fact, as a member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and the Legislative Sportsmen Caucus, I support initiatives to protect gun owner's rights and enforce our current gun laws.

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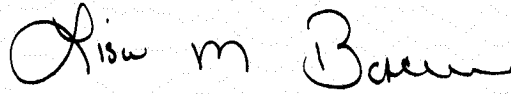
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House Bill 760, as currently written, would place even more regulations onto our responsible gun owners. Although HB 760 is still pending in the House, it remains to be seen if it will be brought up for consideration. Please know that I will keep your views in mind should I have the opportunity to vote on this measure in the future.

Again, thank you for taking the time to contact me on this important issue. Please do not hesitate to contact me in the future with any state-related concern you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa M. Boscola". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and "B".

Lisa M. Boscola
State Senator – 18th District

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