

Cory Gardner introduces 'Make My Day Better' bill

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On the first day of the 2010 legislative session, Representative Cory Gardner, R-Yuma, introduced House Bill 1094, nicknamed the “Make My Day Better” bill.

The bill adds places of business to the Colorado’s Make My Day Law. By adding places of business, law-abiding citizens will no longer have to worry about being prosecuted by the government for a crime when the law-abiding citizen is simply trying to protect himself or herself from a crime. Representative Gardner has introduced the bill every year he has been in the legislature, fighting to protect our rights to self defense.

“I think of this as the little bill that could,” said Gardner. “I come back with this bill time and time again because, until it is passed and signed into law, Colorado’s business owners will not be truly safe.”

Since the Make My Day law came into being in 1985, the people of Colorado have been able to protect themselves against intruders in their homes without the fear of being prosecuted by the government. Business owners and workers, however, do not have the same protections, and there have been cases where individuals have been charged for defending themselves at work.

The Make My Day Better bill would protect those in a place of business from such prosecution.

The Make My Day Better bill was assigned to the House Committee on Judiciary and a hearing date is pending.

For more information about the Make My Day Better Bill, contact Representative Cory Gardner at 303-866-2906.