The below-signed Chemical Engineering faculty, emeriti, and staff at The University of Texas at Austin oppose Senate Bill 11. We believe that guns in classrooms, laboratories, faculty/advising offices, and collaboration spaces would be unsafe and stifle the free exchange of ideas central to a world-class university. They may also pose threats in teaching and research laboratories where flammable and toxic chemicals are used, and thus their presence in these and adjacent environments would be in opposition to our core educational mission regarding chemical process and laboratory safety. This is critical because engineers are educated and ethically bound to hold paramount the safety, health, and welfare of the public. We also fear that Senate Bill 11 may damage our ability to recruit and retain the most capable students, faculty, and staff.

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