TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF HB 2510

Every parent knows children are intensely curious and can find even the best-hidden dangerous objects. We also know our teens are often moody, prone to impulsive decisions, sometimes secretive, and subject to peer opinions. It's up to us to securely store guns and, separately, ammunition, so kids cannot make a fatal mistake. Most Oregonians including gun owners agree. As a retired Nurse-Midwife who sees death and serious injury involving firearms as a preventable public health problem, I urge passage of HB 2510. I want all those precious babies I brought into this world to live out their natural life free of gun violence.

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