House Bill 3419

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Eliminates civil liability of seller or manufacturer of firearm or ammunition for damages resulting from unlawful use of firearm. Specifies exceptions.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to civil liability for the unlawful use of firearms.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) A civil action may not be brought by any person against a manufacturer or seller of firearms or ammunition for damages resulting from the unlawful use of a firearm by the person or a third party.
 - (2) This section does not apply to:
 - (a) A civil action against a seller by reason of use of a firearm by a purchaser to whom the seller sold the firearm if the seller knew, or should have known, that the purchaser was likely to use the firearm in a manner that would cause unreasonable risk of physical injury to another person.
 - (b) A civil action against a manufacturer or seller of a firearm or ammunition based on a willful violation of a state or federal statute governing the sale or marketing of the product, if the violation of the statute was a cause of the harm for which relief is sought.
 - (c) A civil action against a manufacturer or seller of a firearm or ammunition who is required to be licensed under 18 U.S.C. 923 and who is not so licensed.
 - (d) A civil action for breach of contract or warranty by a purchaser of a firearm or ammunition.
 - (e) A product liability action under ORS 30.900 to 30.920.
 - (3) For the purposes of this section, "firearm" means a weapon that is designed to expel a projectile by the action of gunpowder or other explosive powder.
 - SECTION 2. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, section 1 of this 2007 Act applies to all causes of action, whether arising before, on or after the effective date of this 2007 Act.
 - (2) Section 1 of this 2007 Act does not apply to any cause of action for which a judgment has been entered before the effective date of this 2007 Act.

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