From:	Shane Rogers
To:	DeJong Annola
Subject:	Re: Senate Judiciary 4/5 - Submitting Testimony
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Importance:	High

To The Prevailing Committee,

It is of deep concern and careful consideration regarding current legislative matters of “gun control” that prompted my correspondence with you. As my elected officials, I felt compelled and obligated to express a voice on the matters of proposed legislation. I find it to be a very poor political practice to introduce or support legislation put before the governing bodies based on tragic and emotional events such as the recent atrocities of Sandy Hook Elementary, Virginia Tech, Aurora Colorado or Clackamas Town Center Oregon.

For nearly a decade I have personally been involved in emergency medical care as well as law enforcement in my community. I have personally responded to similar acts of violence and seen first hand the devastation that it causes. Yet I still cannot support this legislation or legislators that believe in the reduction of constitutional rights that are secured under the Bill of Rights (or any other constitutional provisions). I have seen no compelling statistical evidence or set of facts that suggest the current proposed legislation would in any way practically reduce the acts of violence or quantity of violent acts that are being committed. Moreover, I don’t see the connection with “tougher regulation” and the desired end of keeping weapons out of the hands of persons who obtain them illegally to begin with. I believe this is a politically motivated bill that is aimed at law-abiding citizens in futile effort to take a real or serious approach to the real problem (illegal obtained/possessed weapons). Moreover this legislation would criminalize many good average Americans who on a daily basis who make responsible decisions.

I ask you, my representatives, to withdraw support of these emotionally proposed bills that would cost taxpayers dearly, both financially and by erosion of preserved freedoms. I cannot see how any of these proposals will offer a serious solution to the acts of violence that we have seen as of late. Again, I emphasize you to withdraw any such support of these proposed bills.

Sincerely,

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"Prepare for the unknown by studying how others in the past have coped with the unforeseeable and the unpredictable" ~George S. Patton~

On Apr 4, 2013, at 11:04 AM, DeJong Annola <annola.dejong@state.or.us> wrote:

> Hi Shane,
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> Received your v-mail and figured this would be the best way to respond, for purposes of submitting testimony via email. Simply reply to this email and attach your testimony, I will make it available to the committee electronically.
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> Thank you,
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