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## Senate Judiciary Committee

Senator Prozanski, members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I am submitting this written testimony because there was not enough time to hear all of us who were wanting to address the committee on SB 347, SB 699, SB 700, SB 796.

There are approximately 175,000 CHL holders in this state. This is about 20% of the entire adult population in the State of Oregon. Many of these people are Democrats and are voters. I challenge you to show a MORE law abiding group and I would put this group against all police officers in the State of Oregon and see who has more violations of law. You have our ear, you should be asking for money for mental health. You are missing a rare opportunity on something that we all agree on.

SB 347: I am opposed! A solution to a problem that does not exist. If there was a problem the media would be all over it. This is an unnecessary bill and would require parents, who would most likely be women to be unarmed when entering school property to pick up their children. Women are vulnerable enough don't make it worse.

SB 699: I am opposed! Another solution to a non existing problem. Some legislators were angry because law abiding citizens walked into the Capitol Building with AR-15s. This unnecessary bill is their reaction. The citizens were simply trying to prove a point! The point was that they can be trusted with firearms even in the Capitol Building. The State Police didn't seem to be upset. This bill would also ban legislators from carrying their self defense firearm.

SB 700: I am opposed! Unenforceable bill unless you have gun licensing and registration. You might catch a few through sting operations, but they would be negligible. Waste of Police time.

SB 796: I am opposed! This test is not training and does not represent real world self defense use of a firearm. Does not indicate who may give the test. It doesn't say an NRA certified instructor! So are we to self administer the test? If we fail the test three times are we prohibited from applying for a CHL for the rest of our lives?

If I open carry a pistol I am not required to take the test. Yet if I put the pistol in my pocket I am required to take the test. What has changed? If this bill is such an emergency why are 175,000 people exempt? These inconsistencies don't make sense.

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