Senator Prozanski and Committee Members,

Please to not continue to press the farce that is SB 941. We know that there is coordination with the Michael Bloomberg's group "Mom's Demand Action's" lobbying day to make it appear that the majority of Oregonians are in favor of this attempt to turn law abiding citizens into criminals just so you can confiscate more guns. I assure you that the majority of Oregonians are **NOT** with you. Just take a look at the list of Counties that have passed resolutions supporting the 2nd Amendment and opposing this latest attempt at more gun control. In case you were unaware of this here is a list of those counties:

Baker County; Clackamas County; Crook County; Curry County; Douglas County; Grant County; Jackson County; Josephine County; Jefferson County; Klamath County; Lake County; Linn County; Malheur County; Marion County; Polk County; Sherman County; Tillamook County; Union County; Wallowa County; Wasco County; Wheeler County; Yamhill County.

Lastly, you have included the "emergency clause" in this bill. By declaring an emergency, where no proven emergency exists, you are depriving Oregonians of the right to challenge this bill, should it become law, through the initiative or referendum process. On its face I believe this to be disingenuous as it appears you know that we, the voters, will not support you in this endeavor; and you are right!!

Consider:

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

"The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defense [sic] of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power."

The first is the actual text of the 2nd Amendment to our Constitution and is enshrined in the Bill of Rights. The second is the actual text of Article 1, Section 27 of the Oregon Constitution.

For the last time, **DO NOT INFRINGE ON OUR RIGHTS!**

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