

I live in a rural area of Oregon. The nearest licensed firearms dealer is a 100 mile round trip drive. This dealer charges \$40.00 for a transfer. If the state computer is down that day I would have to make a second trip for a total of 200 miles of travel. All this does not include the coordination it takes to have my buyer or seller travel and get together with the firearms dealer also. If this dealer decides he does not want to do these kinds of transfers then I have to drive even further.

By the time you add in the travel expenses of fuel and dealer transfer costs for both buyer and seller in many cases it is worth more than the value of the firearm being bought or sold. The choice is then to ignore the law and become a law breaker and have that affect your family and profession. This whole universal background check bill is not about stopping criminals who ignore background checks to begin with, but making it more of a challenge for the honest citizen to own firearms. This bill is a gun control bill on honest Oregonians not criminals.

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