

Honorable legislators:

It is with great disgust that I write to you today regarding the bill to require universal background checks for firearms sales in Oregon. The facts are that I could give a gun to a cousin I haven't seen in ten years, and he may have mental issues I know nothing about, and this is still going to be perfectly legal. How safe does this make you feel? The bill does nothing except dance around on the edge of trampling our Second Amendment rights. It does nothing to make us safer, if that is really the goal here. Guns do not kill people, people kill people. They will do it with sticks, stones, knives, poisons, and any other method you can conceive of but the fact is we can only be so safe in society. Shall we now blame refrigerators for all the obese people in Oregon? Which, by the way, is a number one health issue in this country, regardless of economic status. What are we doing about real issues? This is a waste of time and deep down most logical people will realize this.

Take a stand for logic, less government intrusion into our lives, and focus on problems that are more important and actually can have a positive effect for our state. There are reasons that the average Oregonian is not pleased with our legislative leaders, passage of this bill only irritate a large number of people in Oregon and will do nothing to improve safety.

Sincerely,

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