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The Honorable Floyd Prozanski Chair, Senate Committee on Judiciary

Dear Chairman Prozanski:

I am writing to express my concern and opposition to Senate Bill 941. Under current laws, Oregonians are able to conduct private transfer of firearms within the parameters set forth in which SB 941 would attempt to address although it would not solve any problems. In our current system, the Oregon State Police (OSP) is backlogged and has issues with quickly processing the National Instant Criminal System (NICS) request for all purchases from Firearm Dealers.

I although am not opposed to a reasonable background check, the SB 941 is unreasonable and impractical in many manners. As an Oregon Concealed Handgun License holder, I support responsible gun ownerships and the freedom to engage in private sales within reason. Our current system is a compromise I am willing to accept and the SB941 would further degrade the compromise and increase the associated costs for all parties involved. SB941 would also further the burden on our currently broken OSP Background Check system.

This Judiciary Committee cannot legislate on emotions but the facts and MUST legislate in accordance to the US Constitution and the Oregon Constitution.

Respectfully, Jonathan Myers