

Mr. Rhoades:

My name is John McDonald and I strongly oppose any expansion of Oregon's failed background check system.

Anti-gun extremists brag about how many people are denied gun purchases under the current system but never talk about how many of those people are denied with no justification because of an inept bureaucracy.

Forcing me to run a background check on a friend or loved one before I give them a firearm will do nothing to prevent felons from obtaining weapons. It is clear that the entire purpose of this kind of bill is to harass the law abiding.

When felons are denied firearms they are NOT held accountable, so nothing in this legislation has any impact on them at all.

Why can I give a gun to my nephew, but my adult son cannot give a gun to his cousin? Why should I have to run a background check on a friend I have known for 25 years?

You are well aware that in other places these kinds of laws have led to confiscation. I will not let that happen in Oregon.

Vote no on any expansion of background checks.

John McDonald