Swearing to uphold the Oregon Constitution upon gaining office is just that — swearing to uphold the Oregon Constitution, and gun rights are part of that Constitution. The purpose of legislation is by it's very nature one which is charged with upholding the law; giving the freedoms that are embodied in this the Oregon Constitution.

Classifying WHO can make or receive a transfer doesn't uphold the law; it restricts it.

Classifying WHERE the firearm can be used doesn't uphold the law; it restricts it.

Classifying crimes does uphold the law — because it enforces the law.

Well what's the big deal, you firearm owners?

Practically, this bill will not work because crooks flout the law. In fact, the last ten horrendous shootings were done by what would become felons. It misdirects efforts from the real problem: catching and prosecuting crooks.

Actually, the Thatcher amendment addresses these concerns, and more. But it appears guns are singled out and not wayward medications. . .a wasted opportunity, don't you agree?

Each bill, each law, each regulation needs to be viewed always through the eyes of the Oregon Constitution. Without it, we are no better off than being under a king — or worse.

Vote NO on SB 941

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