I support the idea behind SB941 and the overall intent. We need additional regulation of who can purchase firearms in Oregon, HOWEVER, the provisions laid out for conducting background checks are unjustifiably restrictive.

The necessity to conduct a transfer via a dealer is simply overly burdensome for what should otherwise be a process that could be conducted online or over the phone. Rural Oregonians will be hamstrung by such a regulation, and even those with a gun dealer near to them will be forced to conduct all transactions during business hours - often after having to wait for such service by employees or owners who may be less than willing to care about private transfers.

I urge you to please consider broadening the provisions for conducting background checks. If you want this bill to stand up over the long term and wish to retain the support of as many voters as possible, this is the right thing to do, and it would not weaken the intent of the law whatsoever.

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