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Testimony in Opposition To SB 941A

Chair House Democratic Leader Val Hoyle and Members of the House Rules Committee:

For the record I am Al Elkins representing the 10,000 member Oregon Hunters Association (OHA). We are here today in opposition to SB 941A the universal background check bill. It is our understanding that this bill would provide universal background checks that would be ineffective and would have an impact on law abiding citizens.

OHA is opposed to this bill for these reasons:

- How can this law be enforced? How will law enforcement know when the transfer actually occurred?
- The bill impacts law abiding citizens. Currently the denial rate is less than 1%. So that means that 99% of those that go through back ground checks are law-abiding citizens. Why penalize them by making those that abide by the law have to go through a costly and time consuming system?

It is for these reasons and many more that the Oregon Hunters Association is opposed to SB 941A. Please do not support SB 941A.

That concludes our testimony and I would be glad to answer any questions.