

A well regulated militia, being necessary to the preservation of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Some people cried that a background check was necessary to prevent criminals from getting firearms. It was done: before a gun could be purchased from a FFL, a background check must be performed. A "safety valve" was installed, allowing the firearm purchaser to take delivery of the gun if the check wasn't completed within 3 days.

They were warned that background checks would lead to registrations. To some degree, it has. They were warned that background checks were flawed--faulty--which could AND would lead to delays. They were right.

Now, those tasked with doing the background check, the Oregon State Patrol (OSP), are unable to keep up with the demand, in a time when threats to our personal and national freedom and liberty are becoming stronger and more apparent. Their solution? If the background check doesn't complete, that's too bad: No firearm purchases. Oh, and the kicker? There's no appealing. In other words, *If the OSP cannot do their jobs, we lose our rights ... with no recourse.*

Infringement.

There is NO choice: HB 4147 must be dismissed as a major infringement of Second Amendment rights.

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