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 SB868

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## Dear Senators,

I would like to write in favor of SB868--Extreme Risk Protection Order: My name is Gene Stubbs, M.D. I am a retired Child Psychiatrist and I am very concerned about the high incidence of suicide, especially by gun. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in 2015 the US had age-adjusted suicide rate of 13.3 per 100,000, while Oregon's rate was higher at 17.8 per 100,000. Nearly half of those are due to firearms.

A few years ago, in a family that I was familiar with, the husband/father was depressed and was physically aggressive toward his wife and family. The psychiatrist involved with the family, told the family to remove the guns and ammunition from the house. The daughter did so.

The result was that the father/husband did not kill himself, nor his family.

I believe that SB 868 could save lives if enacted. It removes the guns while the person is depressed and angry.

Thank you,

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