

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 719 Delete lines 4 through 6 of the printed bill and insert: "SECTION 1. As used in sections 1 to 8 of this 2017 Act:

- 1) 'Deadly weapon' means: "(a) Any instrument, article or substance specifically designed for and presently capable of causing death or serious physical injury; or "  
(b) A firearm, whether loaded or unloaded.

Now let's take Section b first a loaded fire arm okay, I can see that.

A unloaded firearm ? How about you call it a club with a trigger ? Unless you load it you can't shoot it

Now what can I use as a deadly weapon ?

let's start the list

Gun, axe, shovel, rock, knife, hoe, rake, club, fertilizer, rope, push them off a bridge, push them onto the freeway freeway, poison, drugs, alcohol, the Max, trains, planes and automobiles. Hammer, ice pick, screwdriver. Electric fan in the shower, pillow, golf clubs, sword, tomahawk, chogan, wood chipper.

Now this list is a small sample to show the absurdity of the language of this bill. I plan on turning in all of my garden tools into my local gun shop.

Trying to legislate suicide or morality always leads you into these kind of stupidities. A six line bill with a 17 page amendment is beyond stupid, it is a blatant attempt to obscure what they are doing. If we as Oregonians, cannot have a clean open debate about suicide, guns, helping our kids get to adulthood without capping themselves. We as a state should be ashamed of ourselves. I ask you to vote no on SB719 and all it's amendments. This is no way to create legislation addressing these serious matters.

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