

I am always amazed when Salem politicians choose to "solve" problems that don't exist rather than focus on the many real problems facing our state.

The set of gun control related amendments proposed for SB 719 (which is COMPLETELY unrelated) purport to somehow make people safer, both from the possibility of suicide and the possibility of assault by someone else. No evidence exists that the amendments will actually accomplish this goal, in fact it may serve to make a volatile situation worse by antagonizing a person in crisis.

Furthermore, there is insufficient recourse for someone who has had their 2nd amendment rights removed. The bill allows this without any conviction whatsoever. There is little to no recourse someone who has been denied can take. This is a setup that is way too easy to abuse. It can be used to deny women self defense capacity, or otherwise arbitrarily deny normal constitutionally protected rights.

Please do not move forward with this misguided effort.

Sincerely,

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