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Hello,

I would like to offer my **strong support for Senate Bill 797**. This bill would, in my opinion, enact sensible gun safety limits that gun rights advocates should really not have any problem with. We need to make sure that firearm sales do not go forward just because law enforcement does not have enough time to conclude a background check. Some reasonable time limit is surely possible, but 3 days is just too short a window. SB797 will make it much, much less likely that Oregon could have a Charleston, SC scenario in which someone who obtains a gun because the background check took more than 3 days and then commits a terrible crime. This sort of scenario is not very likely, but how can we not do everything we can to ensure that it doesn't happen here? The other measures of SB797 are also sensible. If a person has failed a background check, it makes sense that local law enforcement be notified in order to be on the alert. And finally we need to close the so-called boyfriend loophole so that stalkers and domestic abuse criminals do not get their hands on firearms and then commit a violent gun-related act against a person they've been in an intimate relationship with.

I regard all three of these measures in SB797 to be common-sense reforms that will help prevent further unnecessary gun violence in our society.

Sincerely,
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