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Dear Senators, SB 797 If a considerate OSP Trooper had not allowed me to give him my Social Security Number over the telephone, I would have been denied a firearm transfer once. I had forgotten to put it on the form, which is necessary if you have a common name like mine because there will very likely be someone on the database with your name and birthday who is a prohibited person for one reason or another. So I oppose SB 797 which gives the Oregon State Police the power to deny a firearm's transfer, literally forever. Currently the OSP regularly delay or deny firearm's sales to buyers who are qualified to purchase. In fact, Representative Jennifer Williamson has stated that 95% of firearms transfer delays are in error. It makes no sense to delay, indefinitely and without recourse, a transfer to a qualified buyer simply because some cases are ambiguous. This is especially true in cases where the firearms dealer knows the buyer personally and knows he or she is qualified. SB 868 I lost a son-in-law to suicide. He developed an incurable brain disease. He tracked his loss of mental capacity with IQ tests. Then he visited our widespread family to say goodbye, of course we did not know that at the time. I do not know what I would have done in his position. But I do know that people have free will and you cannot make them live. Suicide is not a crime in nearly all jurisdictions. I would rather not force them to drive the family car head-on into a truck or a bus to commit suicide! So I also oppose SB 868. This bill would allow a person to have his rights to own a gun stripped away simply because he bought a firearm or ammunition within the last 180 days! Most of the behavior listed in the bill as reasons to take away a person's firearms are already disqualifiers for firearm ownership but the bill also allows a person to lose his gun rights because of "unlawful and reckless ... display or brandishing of a firearm.." What exactly is "reckless display or brandishing?" The bill provides exactly no help for a person who is a danger to themselves and no protection for any family member who is in danger from the person whose rights will be taken. If the person who loses his or her rights is really dangerous, nothing in this bill addresses that danger. SB 868 is an outrageous assault on liberty, private property and due process. As amended by the "dash 1" amendments it is far worse. SB764 SB 764 is clearly nothing more than an effort to eliminate lawful concealed carry in Oregon. The requirements proposed in the "dash-2" amendments are onerous, unnecessary and almost impossible to comply with. I strongly urge you to consider your constituents and not the deep pockets of New York billionaires who are promoting this harmful legislation and vote "NO" on the amended SB 764. I urge you to vote NO on all these bills and amendments. James Wilson St Helens, Oregon