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 gun testimony SB 868, 797 and 764

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Hello,

I've been looking over the above named bills, and I've got some glaring concerns RE: over-reach of local/state government in the lives of law-abiding American citizens.

There are *literally* hours and hours worth of poorly written, over-stepping, flawed, and quite possibly *extremely* harmful words written into these unnecessary pieces of 'legislature'.

There are bits and pieces, parts and statements within the minutiae of all these bills that make criminals of law-abiding citizens. There makes provision for ANY person to simply say to the court that another citizen should be stripped of their Second Amendment right, without the qualification to even make that statement!

I, like many others, am an adult, a Patriot, an Oregonian, a law-abiding citizen, a 'Good Guy', a person who deeply values freedom and privacy, and also, a gun owner.

I just CRINGE each time I hear of another bill or round of bills aimed at legitimate, LEGAL, and law-abiding citizens. Why? Because every time, it makes staying a LEGAL and legitimate gun owner harder and harder every time.

There already exist provisions for ALL of the gun bills currently up this 'season'.

Why can't Oregon be more like Idaho, Texas, Arizona, and MANY others who *work with* gun owners to keep guns safely out of reach of children, in safe, educated (gun training) hands?

Those states have little to no issues like the imagined problems that this poorly written legislation attempts to 'solve'.

EDUCATION is the key to solving ALL these issues, guys! Training for CHLs. Simple, easy to follow gun laws across ALL of Oregon. Common sense laws.

Please consider these things...legislating gun ownership to oblivion won't solve what you aim to solve. It only serves to create more convoluted problems.

Please SUPPORTS owners, instead of attempting to regulate us to death.

God bless you all.

-Tom