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 Gun testimony SB 868, 797 and 764

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SB797 removed an important constitutional safeguard. If passed, SB 797 would allow the state to indefinitely suspend the sale of all firearms in Oregon by simply not providing the background check service (defunding the division, removing staff, etc). The current 3 day limit on the background check is very important. It gives the state an incentive to do its job efficiently. If removed, the state will have no incentive to do its job (background checks) efficiently, will delay countless people with no good reason and could be utilized by an anti-second amendment administration to halt all gun sales in Oregon. This bill must not pass.

SB764 would impose an unacceptable burden upon Oregon citizens who wish to exercise their constitutional right to concealed handgun carry (Oregon is a SHALL issue state, not a MAY issue state). If passed, SB764 will limit CHL licenses to the wealthy, who will be the only citizens with the resources to jump through all the hurdles that it creates. Is that the goal?

SB868 will allow unreasonable search and seizure without due process. It is completely unacceptable and will move Oregon one big step towards a totalitarian police state.

All three of these bills fly in the face of both the Oregon and US constitutions. Not one of them will prevent a single crime (though the will create countless "criminals" by creating unreasonable laws that no one will obey) no save a single life. I urge you to vote against these three ridiculous, out of state billionaire purchased bills.

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