

My name is Nolan and I am a father of 3. I am writing to participate in our legislative process and request that SB 978 be pulled as I believe that it is a shell game. Due to how it is written, in its current form, its a place holder bill that can be passed as an unassuming bill that will have no impact but then can be gutted and replaced with nearly anything as long as it relates to the current subject of firearms. Oregonians shouldn't have to take time out of their spring break on a nice sunny day to fight for our freedom. This is an end run of the people by elites hoping to pull one over on the people with some slick maneuvering. With the ability to replace it, everything on a liberals anti-gun wish list could be snuck in. The US Constitution is clear on our 2A rights and this is not how the process is supposed to work.

I'd also like to point out the other terrible bills currently proposed or discussed.

SB 2505- Gun safe storage. This bill will not be followed by criminals and will not allow free citizens the right to protect their families with the tools they chose to defend themselves with in an efficient manner. I understand that the point of this is to stop children or people who shouldn't have access to firearms from getting ahold of them. The problem is that you are blaming my wife and I for other people's mistakes. She is alone at night when I'm at work and it would put an undue burden on us for this law to pass.

SB 3329- Raising the age to 21. This will not be followed by criminals and will do nothing to stop crime. The 2A amendment was not about hunting it was put in the Constitution to protect the individual right to self defense. At age 18 we are legally an adult and are responsible for ourselves which includes defending ourselves as we see fit.

SB 2013- Extreme Risk Protection Orders This bill is dangerous and flies in the face of the Constitution's 4th, 5th, and 14th Amendments. Basically saying that the ERPO is not consistent with illegal search and seizure as well as due process of law. On the one side, it does sound like this is happening as far as an accusation and then a court order as far as the due process. The big problem is that ERPO's don't give the defendant the reasonable time to defend themselves and therefore this is unconstitutional. In Maryland it has already resulted in a death.

Lastly, and I don't have the bill number is the proposal to lower the voting age to 16. You've got to be kidding me. So raise the age on tobacco to 21, propose raising the age to 21 on all firearms for the same reason- brains aren't developed enough to make good decisions or handle the responsibility but yet voting is fine by people 5 years younger than that?! 16 year olds due not have enough life experience to vote. They are easily swayed and should not be allowed to vote.

Thank you for your time and I hope that you will see the light on these dangerous bills for Oregon.

Have a nice day, Nolan.