

To whom it may concern,

The proposed amendment to SB 978 looks like Washington politics brought by the democratic party to Oregon. To attach an amendment in an attempt to by pass normal procedures undermines our democracy. Though the Oregon legislature has been dominated by the democratic party to the slow destruction of our state the parties have always worked together. Now that there is a supermajority the will of the few is being forced on the majority. There is a disconnect between liberal Portland and the rest of rural Oregon, our values and our lifestyle.

It is also ironic that in this amendment you are seeking to prohibit, against the constitution, 18-20 year olds who are of draft age from purchasing a firearm but at the same time democrats are seeking to lower the voting age to 16. Somehow 16 year olds are more responsible to make a decision on the President of the US but 18 year olds are not responsible to own a firearm. You do know how hypocritical that is right?

This is not what many term "responsible" gun safety the way this back door amendment is written, it punishes law abiding citizens, it does not protect anyone. How about working with gun owners to write legislature that works.

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"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."

Jim Elliot