

Dear Legislators:

As a fellow Oregon resident, I urge you to please oppose Senate Bill 978.

SB 978 contains poorly thought out schemes that would:

- Legalize age discrimination for firearm dealers to deprive young adults of their Second Amendment rights.
- Impose a one-size-fits-all government solution for firearm storage and require them to be made unavailable for self-defense.
- Further victimize gun owners who have suffered a loss or theft of their property with criminal penalties if they fail to follow certain requirements when reporting them.
- Severely restrict minors from using firearms for lawful purposes such as hunting.
- Allow local governments to create “gun-free zones” where law-abiding citizens are disarmed and left defenseless against criminals who ignore such arbitrary boundaries
- Increase the fee for citizens to apply for a Concealed Handgun License in order to exercise a fundamental right.

As seems to be a recurring case is that responsible gun owners are always the target of legislation that is ill conceived. Most of this legislation does little or nothing to prevent criminals from illegally obtaining firearms, but seems to try and criminalize all of us responsible firearms owners. We are not the ones you need to focus on.

I urge you to please oppose Senate Bill 978.

Thank you.

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