

The effort to curb gun violence by restricting and penalizing law abiding citizens will be ineffective and is a violation of our God given rights to self protection which are guaranteed by both the Oregon and Federal Constitutions.

It is absurd that 18-year-olds can go overseas and fire machine guns in our armed forces and not be able to buy a gun here at home. Active military and Veterans are some of the highest trained gun users. It is an insult to those who have served our country as well as other citizens who are 18-21. At 16 they are allowed to drive a 3000-7000 lb. vehicle, which can be abused for evil acts. We all know how addicted to their phones they are and constantly use them while driving, which by the way kills more people than gun homicides.

Forcing citizens to lock up their self-defense guns even in their own homes is depriving them of their right to life through being unable to defend that life in a dangerous world. Saying citizens have a right to defend themselves with a firearm but then forcing them to make the firearm useless by locking it up in a moment of sudden danger is unreasonable. The state opens itself up to lawsuit if a citizen dies because they were unable to unlock their gun in time to defend their lives. People have the right to decide what is safe storage for them and their home and circumstances. These type of laws also create a real dilemma for hunters who are driving around with guns in their vehicle.

The notion of holding the previous owner of some sold inanimate object responsible for the actions of a criminal using that object two years later is setting a very dangerous precedent. No person is responsible for the actions of some criminal except the criminal. Apply that same thinking to cars, knives, hammers, bats or golf clubs and it becomes very apparent how stupid it is.

80% lowers are not guns. Will we begin to consider solid blocks of aluminum to be guns? A gun is a gun, other things are other things, they are not the same thing. If an 80% lower has been completed to 100% THEN it is a gun, not before.

There is no such thing as an undetectable firearm. 3D printed guns without metal barrels blow up the first time fired with the projectile going in some random direction with nowhere close to enough power to be considered a firearm. Functional firearms need a metal barrel and other components that have to be made from metal. The metal makes it detectable.

We don't have a problem with CHL holders committing crimes with their guns. CHL holders are among the most law-abiding citizens there are. Turning the state into a patchwork quilt of varying carry rules is going to entrap law abiding citizens who don't know or can't keep track of the myriad of rules.

Whatever good may come from these type of laws, which is debatable, comes at the expense of a much higher price. You swore an oath to uphold the Constitution. These laws are a violation of the oath you took and our constitutional rights.

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