Hello and thank you for you time.

I am writing to ask that you and your fellow lawmakers DO NOT allow laws / Bills such as Senate Bill 978 to become law.

I have lived in Oregon all my life. I was born in this state and have lived here for over 45-years with my family. Growing up I hunted with my father and older brother and still enjoy hunting with my 76-year-old father and my younger brother. In the near future I will be teaching my son the enjoyment of hunting in the State of Oregon as he grows to enjoy is freedom under the Second Amendment of the United States of America.

As a law abiding citizen born in Oregon and a certified law enforcement officer in Oregon, I will be teaching my son the responsible acts of gun ownership, to include hunting, target shooting and self defense.

Punishing law abiding citizens by restricting their legal rights of gun ownership WILL NOT prevent the criminals from committing crimes. Restricting law abiding citizens like myself of our Second Amendment Rights (a violation of my Second Amendment Rights) will take away my freedom and right to protect myself and my family. Law enforcement CAN NOT be every place a crime occurs and law abiding citizens in Oregon MUST HAVE THE RIGHT to defend ourselves and our families!!

I am asking you to vote NO on any and all laws, such as SB 978, that would take away my Second Amendment Rights and threaten my First Amendment Rights. The Founding Fathers put both the First Amendment and the Second Amendment in place for a reason. Those reasons are still current and valid today and in the years to come as my son grows up in Oregon and the United States of America.

I ask you to protect my rights, the rights of my family, and other fellow law abiding citizens in Oregon.

Thank you, Dennis Strange.