Every LAW passed by politicians is a LIBERTY lost to the people. With all due respect to the majority party in Salem; gun control only has two sides: 1) The right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed; and 2) STUPID!

With all this 'gun control' talk from elected Oregon politicians, why haven't we heard one politician tell us how they plan to take guns from criminals, instead of law abiding Oregon gun owners?

For anyone that has read the Constitution and Bill of Rights, any and all arguments concerning our 2nd Amendment Rights were settled on December 15, 1791. That's when Virginia ratified the Bill of Rights and 10 of the 12 proposed amendments to become part of the US Constitution's LAW OF THE LAND.

The only way you are going to change that is by an Article V, Convention of States, to amend the Constitution and eliminate the 2nd Amendment.

Good luck with that because it will take 38 states, or 3/4th's of the 50 states to eliminate the 2nd Amendment. Thank's to the genius of our Founding Fathers; just 13 states voting NO on eliminating the 2nd Amendment; make it impossible to get to the 38 states necessary, to repeal the 2nd Amendment.

If you've ever read America's history you already know that GUNS made it possible for America to declare its INDEPENDENCE and fight wars to kick Great Britain, France, Spain and Mexico out. So why would 'Lawful' American gun owners, with 2nd Amendment rights, replace that by electing gun grabbing politicians with more tyranny, taxes, rules and regulations, without another armed rebellion?

Again, with all due respect to you 'part-time' elected officials in the Oregon State Legislature; We are all born ignorant, but one must work very hard to remain STUPID with these very misguided gun control measures. This is AMERICA, and we American's want our guns to protect us from our own government(s).

To prove you are NOT stupid to the thousands of lawful Oregon gun owners - **please vote NO on SB 978.**  Respectfully, Vern C. Wigley Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) US Army Special Forces 110 NW Cherry Street Dundee, OR 97115 <u>csmwigley@aol.com</u>