

I am disappointed by SB978 and its amendments for the following reasons:
Age limits: I find it hard to believe that retailers are asking for this permission. This serves only as an attempt to restrict purchases for people with the ability to vote, serve in the military, and be tried as adults in court. It also creates an "un-level playing field" where retailers may arbitrarily enforce this policy against people for reasons other than age.

Safe Storage: The language here is too vague. It needs stronger language around what the burden of storage is. All security systems delay thieves, given time, a lazy thief with youtube access can defeat the storage systems available to consumers for less than \$5000. I am also disappointed that I could face charges for 2 years after something is stolen from me, victimizing me a second time. I also find it hard to believe that the Oregon Health Authority has the required expertise to make the decision of what constitutes safe storage. Perhaps this could be left to the Sheriff's Association.

Unfinished frame / receiver purchases would require a phone call to the State Police but actual firearm purchases are already done online, this is inconvenience, not protection. This law would also make the thousands of people who have built or modified their firearms into felons as possessors of un-serialized firearms

CHL price increases should be left to the Sheriff's offices issuing the CHL. Increasing fees disproportionately affects the poor more than any other group. This is not increasing safety, just adding burden.

Redefining Public Buildings should be done on a case by case basis with the local community making the final decision. Banning items in areas adjacent to "public areas" is not realistic and seems to be a way to give law enforcement additional tools to prosecute people, not protect people.

Please consider measures that incentivize safe storage and responsible transfers rather than demonizing a group of people that are overwhelmingly law-abiding. Remember that the Oregon Health Authority reported that 2010-2014 had 2280 firearm fatalities and only 13% were homicides. This bill is attempting to solve a molehill of a problem with a mountain of restriction and legislation.

Thank you for your time.
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