

Comments on SB 978

Hello, my name is Jerry Ramsey, I live in Newberg and have been a resident of Oregon since December of 1963. I served 6 years in the Marines and received an Honorable Discharge in 1973. I am presently rated 80% disabled by the Veterans Administration. When I was inducted into the Marines, I swore an Oath in which I said, in part, "I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and DOMESTIC". Some have asked, does our military oath expire? Capt. Seid Waddell says, our OATH never expires. It is our duty to always defend the Constitution against all enemies, foreign and DOMESTIC. Now I had a chance in Vietnam to defend the Constitution against some foreign enemies and Uncle Sam provided the tools for me (an M-16 aka AR-15). I'm too old to go and fight any foreign enemies but I could still fight some DOMESTIC enemies. I'll provide my own tools as long as bills like this one and others don't prevent me in violation of my Second Amendment rights. "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a

free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED.

Representative Bill Post told us at the Second Amendment rally that all Oregon Legislators, including all Senators in this room, take an Oath of Office in which they swear to uphold the Constitution of the United States. I say to you Senators that voting in favor of bills like this one is NOT upholding your Oath of office. What part of SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED don't you understand? Citizens of Oregon all the time thank me for my service so I'm going to ask you Senators, if you want to thank me for my service, vote NO on SB-978. THANK YOU