State Bill 970 is an affront to every lover of the U.S. and Oregon State Constitutions allowing for the natural law of every citizen to defend himself or herself from criminals. Now a few rabid and irrational anti-gun bigots propose making tens of thousands of Oregonians felons for exercising their rights. The ability to defend oneself and innocent others with a firearm is a fundamental right that this Bill abrogates and decimates. HB970 is unenforceable, unconstitutional and unintelligible. Overnight, if this Bill is enacted, thousands upon thousands of life-long lawabiding Oregonians will wake up felons through no action of their own. This is contrary to every decent intent of legal precedent and Constitution by which we are supposed to live by. Every shooting sports enthusiast, hunter and defender of family will be looking over their shoulders, waiting for Big Brother to ruin their lives. I urge HB970 be put into the dust bin of history where it belongs. HB9970 does nothing to make people safer or criminals less likely to commit crime; it merely makes more people victims. It is bad governance.

Sincerely,

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