

Good afternoon Mr. Chairman, and members of the Judicial Committee, my name is John Webb, and I have been a resident of Astoria, Oregon for 52 years. I am not going to speak about the content of this bill as it seems that it is evolving, and I am not sure exactly what it contains, right now, or will contain in the future. I do want to voice concerns about the method being used to draft this bill into law. I think that the so called, "Emergency Legislation Clause" is being abused in this case, and others. It would seem, on such a controversial issue, that a vote by the people of Oregon, would be the least that the Legislature would do. Quite frankly, this feels like dictation. I suspect that there are a great many Oregonians that feel the same way I do. If this bill and others become the law of the land, I believe that there will be a lack of compliance. You will make many, law abiding, gun owners, into felons.

Lastly, it is predictable that various Law Enforcement Agency's will probably refuse to enforce any laws that may come of this bill. Please! Put politics aside for a moment, and think long and hard about what you are doing. Just because you have the power to do this, does not mean that you should do this!

Thank you.