Dear Sirs,

I ask this be submitted to the record for this bill SB 978.

I am here at the Capital room 50 and I am opposed to SB 978. I am an Oregon resident and my family owns property and pay taxes to be a part of what used to be a great state. But today I witness the Democrat assault our Constitutional rights as citizens of Oregon and the United States of America. This use of emergency declaration and stuffing this bill with 44 pages of amendments that broadly restrict firearm ownership and ability to defend ourselves, is unacceptable!!! And against the sworn oath taken by all representatives of the people.

These amendments are unconstitutional, period. This is all to be overturned by the courts at a huge cost to both citizens and the state.

The question is why people would assault the rights of lawful citizens to keep and bear arms. It is about control of the people. And this is unacceptable!!!

Respectfully,

Greg Wheelhouse

Dear Representatives,

I attended the committee meeting at room 50 on April 2nd. You have extensive opposition to this bill and the wide range and scope of the criminalization of law abiding citizens of this great state. From gun storage that would make it next to impossible to effectively be ready to defend their person or family, to Gun free zones so vauge that one with a conceal and carry permit could easily be in violation of this law. Not to mention laws about liability of stolen firearms that make insurance rates go out of site.

My family has a ranch that is 25 miles out of Pendleton, Oregon and we have killed 100 cougars in the last 15 years in a 10 mile radius. We have loaded guns handy at all times to defend from this threat, and now we have wolves. This along with the fact that the sheriff response time at minimum is 45 min. This makes our ability to defend our home of great importance. Storage laws would make that next to impossible to comply.

These are personal examples of how these amendments would effect my family.

Then there is the way this bill has been amended and pushed by progressive liberals in the name of saving our children from mass shooters. This is absurd! Lawless people will find a way. And the only deturrent is the fear they have that they may be confronted by someone, anyone with a gun.

Think about these things when you diliberate, and vote NO on this bill SB 978.

Respectfully,

**Greg Wheelhouse** 

Pillot Rock, Oregon