

I was born and raised in Oregon and used to believe it was the best place in the world to call home. Now I still enjoy the beauty of the State. Not only is this law you are trying to pass clearly an infringement on the second amendment it is also an assault on all law abiding citizens of Oregon. I have lived in Idaho for about 40 years now and am retired LE. Idaho is still working on loosening ill-conceived gun legislation and it appears that the more freedom to own and carry firearms results in less violent crime while the states that have very restrictive laws have increasing rates. All you need to do is think and act with a little honesty. I don't believe any of you are stupid enough to actually believe that criminalizing the honest citizens of Oregon will somehow cause the Criminal element to have a Come to Jesus moment and become honest, law abiding Citizens. I am not only referring to the criminal element that carry firearms. If you pass this law they won't have to. A knife, hammer, bat or maybe just their fists will work quite well for them. What you are doing is removing the great equalizer, the one and only thing that give the gal or guy in their 60's or 70's any chance of defending themselves at all. I hear that Law Enforcement will provide protection for the public. The only problem with that is that LE responds to a crime after it happens and then tries to make sure the offender doesn't repeat a second, third, or fourth time before being caught.

If you pass a stupid law like this you had better raise your tax rates and get all you can now. After it passes you will have to build a lot of new lock ups for the people that are now hard working Oregonians that pay the taxes that support you. When they are living off of the State in Prison and their dependents are living on welfare from the State there won't be much left to go around.

Like I said before, I don't think you are stupid. If this law passes it must be for some other reason that I don't even like to think about.

Jim

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