On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “firearms;” delete the rest of the line and insert “and
prescribing an effective date.”.

Delete line 3 and insert:

“Whereas the right of self-defense is a natural right; and

“Whereas concealed handgun licensees are some of the most law-abiding citizens in Oregon; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person is under 21 years
old; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person has outstanding
warrants for arrest; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person is on any form of
pretrial release; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person has ever been
convicted of a felony or found guilty except for insanity of a felony; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person has been convicted
of a misdemeanor or found guilty except for insanity of a misdemeanor within the four years prior
to applying for the license; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person been committed to
the Oregon Health Authority under ORS 426.130; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person has been found to
be a person with mental illness and is subject to an order under ORS 426.130 prohibiting the person
from purchasing or possessing a firearm as a result of the mental illness; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person has been convicted
of an offense involving controlled substances or participated in a court-supervised drug diversion
program, except for a single misdemeanor conviction or completed diversion involving marijuana;
and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person is subject to a ci-
tation issued under ORS 163.735 or an order issued under ORS 30.866, 107.700 to 107.735 or 163.738;
and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person received a dis-
honorable discharge from the Armed Forces of the United States; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person is required to reg-
ister as a sex offender in any state; and

“Whereas a person cannot obtain a concealed handgun license if the person is subject to an
order under ORS 426.133 prohibiting the person from purchasing or possessing a firearm; and
“Whereas concealed handgun licensees are required to have firearm training before being issued a concealed handgun license; and

“Whereas concealed handgun licensees have prevented individual and mass shootings; and

“Whereas Oregonians with concealed handgun licenses who carry concealed handguns have a better chance of defending themselves; and

“Whereas criminals do not abide by gun-free zones; and

“Whereas crime-ridden parts of Portland have become a threat to individual livelihoods and personal property; and

“Whereas Multnomah County is known to prosecute individual concealed handgun licensees trying to defend themselves from a violent mob, yet refuses to prosecute certain criminals, inviting more criminality; and

“Whereas the supermajority in the Legislative Assembly has introduced bills to eliminate school resource officers, leaving our children defenseless in schools; and

“Whereas equating law-abiding citizens exercising their right to self-defense with criminals who want to cause violence is irrational; and

“Whereas singling out and setting up one class of law-abiding citizens to become felons for actions that currently constitute part of their everyday lives is arbitrary, capricious and vindictive; and

“Whereas forcing people to leave firearms unattended in vehicles is dangerous and violates the safety rules that all good gun owners follow; and

“Whereas Oregonians have recently been buying, or attempting to buy, firearms in record numbers, and legislation aimed at law-abiding gun owners is an affront to an ever-larger percentage of our population; and

“Whereas rural counties have limited police protection and urban counties have police who are politically hindered from arresting certain types of criminals; and

“Whereas politically-motivated district attorneys are refusing to prosecute certain criminals who police do arrest, encouraging more criminal behavior; and

“Whereas Senate Bill 554 as introduced, or as amended by the -10 amendments, is antithetical to ‘common sense’ because it targets law-abiding citizens while simultaneously doing nothing to prevent gun use by criminals; and

“Whereas members of the Oregon Legislative Assembly take an oath to defend the Constitution; now, therefore.”.

Delete lines 5 through 26 and delete pages 2 through 9 and insert:

SECTION 1. The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defense of themselves, and the state, but the military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power.

SECTION 2. 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.

SECTION 3. (1) The Legislative Policy and Research Director shall conduct a survey of all scientific and evidence-based data, pertaining to the United States, regarding the effectiveness of gun-free zones as a credible and reliable deterrent against violent criminals with malicious intent to do harm.

“(2) The director shall compile all data collected as part of the survey into a report and provide the report to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, before the date of convening of the 2022 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.
“SECTION 4. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021 
regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.”.

/s/ Dennis Linthicum  
Senator

/s/ Kim Thatcher  
Senator