

As a law abiding citizen and contributing member to our community and society I am writing in strong opposition to HB 2510. HB 2510 is another example of gross overreach by our state government, penned by out of touch representatives in our varying communities. This bill clearly aims itself at criminalizing average law abiding citizens with fines and ineffective blanket measures while again foregoing the reality of needed consequence for actual criminals. Varying trigger locks and particular storage solutions put forth in this bill are simply a handicap to the responsible firearms owner. They offer little deterrent to criminals while rendering the firearm useless to the law abiding owner of said firearm in the event of needed self defense for themselves or their family members.

Examples of the complete ineffectiveness of bizarre government overreach into how an average citizen conducts oneself with their constitutionally abided right can be seen in both Australia and Canada. Those countries unfortunately do not have the protections of such a substantial constitution and the average citizen was forced under similar stipulations of HB 2510. As this game of chance played out, it simply removed protections of the average citizen and did nothing to address the criminals which such legislation obviously doesn't apply to. Crime went up as the public was left defenseless with little resolve to their governments fabricated "crisis".

Do not pass this bill. I ask you as voted representatives to stop addressing fabricated issues in our communities and perhaps spend some of your paid time addressing actual issues that are wildly plaguing our state of Oregon (homelessness, addiction, mental health facilities, etc). The average citizen of Oregon has been under attack for too long and your wasted efforts to criminalize the average citizen are unfortunately at our expense. Do not pass this bill.