I am writing in response to HR2510 being presented to the Oregon Legislators. I am OPPOSED to this law and many other laws currently being pushed through the legislation process. I have found so far that even with overwhelming opposition to bills similar to this one, that committees are passing these bills through. How is it that when the Opposition outweighs the supports of a bill it is allowed to leave the committee?

I also have no idea why this is being looked at as a PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE? This has nothing to do with health, it is a sly attempt to undermine our constitution both in Oregon and in the United States.

I have guns in my home for two reasons. 1 for hunting and outdoor recreations around the sport of shooting. 2. I have firearms to protect myself and my family from criminals that would break into my home illegally and represent an unknown threat to myself and my family.

Having all guns locked up at all times does not make my family safer. What would make a safer placed is strong gun safety education in our schools.

Also prosecuting the owner of a firearm, for the actions of a criminal is outside my understanding. How does this lower gun related crimes? All it does is put blame on the innocent and law abiding, and allow the criminals to continue to do what they do.

If you had stronger and more direct punishments for criminals this would never be an issue.

Thank you for your consideration, and I hope that the OPPOSITION represented here, and the constitution weigh heavy on your decision to Not move this bill forward and punish the innocent and law abiding.