

Chair Salinas, Vice-Chair Hayden, and Members of the House Committee on Health Care,

My name is Mazie Drummond, and I am a sixteen year old from Multnomah County. I am testifying today in SUPPORT of HB 2510.

HB 2510 is a crucial step in keeping families safe by making sure that firearm storage is secure. My father is a gun owner, and I know that he would never wish for someone who should not have a gun, like a child, to be able to access one because of unsafe storage practices. I'm sure the same can be said for most families; keeping our loved ones safe should always be a priority. This legislation goes hand in hand with educating the public on how to ensure that firearms stay safe in our homes and is fundamental to responsible gun ownership. Gun violence is a public health issue, and passing this legislation is essential to keeping Oregon families safe and healthy.

I urge you to pass HB 2510 and save lives.

Thank you,
Mazie Drummond