Thank you for this opportunity. This bill violates Section 1 of the Oregon Constitution and Section 27. It places a natural right below the man made restrictions pertinent thereto. HB2543 enacted, would allow the individual(s) in the Oregon State Police to process, or chose to fail to process applications for firearms transfer. That subjugates rule of law to rule of men. This is a terrible idea. In practice, it has caused death or serious injury to vulnerable persons who could have protected themselves had they been able to procure a firearm in a more timely manner. In short, a citizen in good standing should not have to prove their worthiness to own or bear arms. They each have that natural right. This is foundational to the freedom we claim to enjoy. To do otherwise is to succumb to the idea that individuals are not not sovereign as created, but only have rights conferred by government. This is not so. Nor is it right. Individuals are sovereign as created, meaning they have rights that can not and must not be violated nor infringed. That is, these rights are inalienable! Please join me in opposing this Marxist proposal.

I am a natural born citizen in good standing in Oregon. My family was here before Oregon was a state. This bill is not in keeping with the spirit of responsible freedom the state began with...stop the bill, enjoy the freedom.

And go after criminal behavior, not law abiding citizens. Please.

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