## I strongly oppose SB 554.

With the uncertain times we are living in and the state planning to release dangerous individuals from prison, it's more important now then ever for law abiding citizens to be a able to protect themselves.

Allowing this Bill to pass into law serves only to discourage Oregon citizens from carrying handguns to protecting themselves (and their families). This Bill serves only to turn law abiding and productive members of society into felons. Meanwhile true felons, or felons to be, don't care about gun laws in the first place and will not abide by it; those who vote to pass this Bill are putting law abiding citizens in harms way.

Thank you.