

I oppose HB 2543. Oregon's universal background check law included a number of compromises, and this is a critical one to preserve. In other contexts, many of you say things like, "A right delayed is a right denied". Bureaucrats at the State Police should not have the power to indefinitely delay firearm transfers. If you want to decrease the number of guns transferred before a background check is completed, please work to improve FICS, rather than empowering State police to deny fundamental civil liberties through inaction.

Thank you for considering my testimony. At the very least, if you feel you must renegotiate this important compromise, please move from a 3 day limit to a 5 day limit, rather than leaving things open-ended.