Good day Chair Prozanski & Vice-chair Thatcher, I write to you and all others concerned in strict opposition to SB554. In light of recent events in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon and the US at large it is not only foolish to take away a citizen's right and ability to defend oneself and family, it is dangerous. It is also counter to the 2nd Amendment rights of our nation. Years ago I left New Jersey and laws like this one factored in no small manner among the reasons I came here. The ever-increasing incremental manner in which our freedoms are being eroded (read - removed) are not only frightening - they are alarming. I urge all those responsible to think very hard about the road we are embarking on in this nation at present - and in this very state. Thank you.