SB 554 is another bill which would ensure that only bad guys would be carrying a concealed firearm in a public building. What is the problem this bill intends to address? When has a concealed permit holder committed a crime in Oregon with his/her legally-concealed firearm in a public building? This is just one more attempt to undermine the rights of law abiding citizens. I just read a story about armed good Samaritans stopping a shooting spree in Louisiana. I read stories like this all the time. Taking away our ability to carry concealed weapons puts us in more danger. It's the criminals who cause crimes and gun deaths, not the average citizen with a CCP.

How many government officials have armed security at their disposal to protect them? Why shouldn't we be able to protect ourselves when a criminal with a gun assaults us and our families? What gives you the right to decide who deserves protection and who doesn't? We all deserve the right to protect ourselves and our loved ones. PLEASE REJECT SB 554!

Thank you for taking time to read and consider this testimony.