

February 21, 2021

Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher and Committee Members:

We are in opposition to Senate Bill 554 in its entirety.

Oregon is a "shall-issue" state with regard to Concealed Handgun Carry.

The Oregon Constitution Article 1 Section 27 states that "The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defense (sic) of themselves ...".

If an Oregon county sheriff deems a citizen responsible and issues a CHL after a thorough background check as is stated in ORS 166.291 then that responsible citizen should be able to carry anywhere in Oregon without further restrictions, fines, imprisonment or reprisal.

Respectfully,

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