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Chair Proznaski, Vice Chair Thatcher This is Steve Burke, Klamath Falls, Oregon

I come here (virtuously since I, an Oregon citizen has no access to witness this in person) in Opposition to SB 554

I have these concerns with SB 554

1. This bill, if it should become law, restricts law abiding citizens from a right which we have been guaranteed and paid for in blood with our Constitutions Bill of Rights, Reference Second Amendment. Thomas Jefferson (I am referring to a great man who was a Founding Father and the third President of our Country and knew human nature) said "No Free man shall ever be debarred the use of arms" Jefferson went on to say that the arms are not only for our own self defense in our homes and on our person -- but also against Tyranny.

2. There is absolutely no reason whatsoever that law abiding citizens should have any restrictions on firearms, including the right to carry so long as we are licensed (and trained) to do so

3. There is absolutely no reason that carrying a firearm, that same firearm for the sole purpose of defense as allowed by current law, be made a punishable offence.

4. Lastly since I can't make this too long -- criminals will pay no attention what so ever to such a law that is on the table referred to here as SB 554

Whoever put this bill on the Table for consideration is a person(s) who places control in front of Freedom and Liberty

KILL THIS BILL, SB 554. This bill, SB 554 is another attack on Freedom, Liberty and our Bill of Rights.

Always put Freedom and Liberty First. This is what our Country was founded on (in spite of the idiotic ideas being shoved down our throats in the last 12 months)

Thank you.