I am a retired Air Force officer, resident of Bend, Oregon, and father of 2 children. I hold an Oregon CHL license and have carried my firearm every day for years, both to defend my family and defend others. I oppose this SB 554.

Oregon CHL licensing is already an unconstitutional burden on citizens. The state of Oregon has no right to infringe upon a citizens right to bear arms, period! READ THE CONSTITUTION, Article 1 Section 27!!!! The idea that Oregon should make citizens PAY for this right is clearly unconstitutional.

SB 554 is unconstitutional, defies common sense, puts citizens at the mercy of criminals, places additional burdens on law enforcement and administration, and will potentially make criminals out of our own good citizens.

There is no reason to go into further explanation, since it is apparent. Any support for this bill is a violation of your duties and oath of office.

The citizens of Oregon are fed up, and reaching a tipping point. These are not just policy disagreements or differences of opinion. You are treading on Constitutional rights, which is an illegal act.

Admit that SB is unconstitutional and further admit that the existing unconstitutional statutes regarding the right to bear arms ALSO need to be repealed.

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