Dear Chair Senator Prozanski, Vice-Chair Senator Thatcher, and Members of the Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation, My name is Hope Williams and I'm a high school junior in Lake Oswego. I am testifying today in support of SB 554.

School spaces should not be places of fear and panic. Students shouldn't have to feel scared walking the halls knowing that a gun could be in the building. This bill will promote a safer school environment and is proven to decrease the risk of an armed incident. You have a responsibility to your communities and families to make schools and government properties safer, and this bill is the first step.

Thank you,

Hope Williams (she/her)