

Dear Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation,
I am writing to you today in opposition to SB554. This bill does nothing to promote public safety, and instead seeks to punish lawful CHL holders. In addition, it violates rights afforded to me in the United States Constitution and the Oregon Constitution.

Amendment II in the US Constitution reads, "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

Article 1, Section 27 of the Oregon Constitution states, "The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defence [sic] of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power[.]"

The oath of office you made when you were sworn in reads, "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God."

It is disturbing this bill was even scheduled for a hearing. On behalf of myself, my family and the many law-abiding citizens of Oregon I urge you to not move this bill out of committee, and in the event it does go to a floor vote, vote NO on SB554.

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