

As a lifelong Oregonian I ask that you please stop SB554. If you are even tempted to vote in favor of it, please review the questions I have asked myself below. Please ask yourself the following questions as well.

Question: I ask, what is the motivation for this bill? What justifies this? Is it to reduce violence perpetrated by concealed handgun license holders?

Answer: No, concealed handgun license holders are documented to be more law abiding than the general population. So that is certainly not the case.

Question: Is this bill aimed at prosecuting someone for a criminal act?

Answer: No, it not already illegal to assault someone, let alone with a firearm.

Concealed Handgun License holders seek out approval, get finger printed, photographed and go through an extensive background check, certifying them as "Good Guys".

Please consider the harm this bill will create. The sole result of this bill will be to turn certified "Good Guys" who are upstanding and law abiding citizens into criminals due to the resulting unnecessarily complicated patchwork of laws.

The final insult is the supposed "Emergency" nature of this law. There is no emergency. There is no rash of crime involving concealed handgun license holders that justifies or requires such legislation.

Thank you for your time,
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