

I'm opposed to the following aspects of HB 2005.

1. The definition of “projectile weapon” seems as though it could apply to too many things. Like a pellet gun.
It needs a better definition that could include “for a projectile that's designed to travel at x feet per second and a range of x yards” and perhaps “that uses gunpowder as the propellant”.
2. Requiring serial numbers:
 1. Assuming that “projectile weapon” is trying to describe a howitzer (which is breach-loaded). It does not appear as serial numbers are stamped on the breaches of howitzers, which the bill says is required.
 2. This bill stifles innovation in Oregon as it prevents the development of new and better receivers by Oregon inventors.
 3. It's my understanding that presently it's not possible to get a serial# added to a receiver by a dealer (and presumably a gunsmith) with a FFL as there's no process for it yet.
So how is someone supposed to get a serial# added to their existing firearm?

Also problematic is this bill includes your favorite “declares emergency, effective on passage”.

So you're saying that everyone needs to rush out now, to get a serial# added to their existing receivers, before the bill maybe passes (and gets signed by the Governor), when it's not possible to get anyone to add the serial#. And even if they could, there's no way that all of the receivers needing a serial# could get one added before bill could pass.