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Under current law, an 18-to-20-year-old in Oregon can buy assault weapons and other semiautomatic rifles—even though they cannot legally purchase handguns. Research shows that individuals aged 18-to-20 years old commit gun homicides at rate nearly 3 times greater than adults 21-and-over. Currently the law prohibits the sale of liquor to individuals under 21 but allows 18-to-20 year olds to buy lethal assault weapons. Please pass this common sense law to raise the legal age to purchase an automatic rifle to 21.