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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure: HB2006

Members of the House Committee on the Judiciary, I strongly oppose HB 2006. This Bill seeks to punish the many for the crimes of a few, something that is antithetical to the American and Oregonian way. Prohibiting young Oregonians who are able to be productive members of society from exercising their rights in no way increases the safety of the public, nor is it likely in any way to reduce crime.

Additionally, how does this not create a scenario where those currently in this age range which own firearms may become criminals overnight for possessing something that is not illegal for any adult to own?

Should the young men and women of Oregon not be able to own firearms for sport, defense of themselves, or collection? Is not the defense of oneself and the state a right recognized and guaranteed by our state constitution as inherent to all? Furthermore, individuals in this age range are still eligible to vote and to enlist in the military. If we cannot entrust these people with firearms for their personal use, why are we trusting them to defend our country and vote on our future leaders and policies?

I strongly oppose HR2006 and its attempt to leave helpless the young adults of the state of Oregon.

Sincerely,

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