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To: House Committee On Judiciary

As a mother and concerned citizen I strongly encourage you to support HB2006. The current law in Oregon states that an 18-to-20 year old can purchase an assault weapon, but not a handgun. How does this make sense? Handguns can absolutely be used in a mass shooting situation, however the carnage is nowhere near that of an assault weapon, so why are we allowing young people (who are statistically 3x more likely to commit gun homicide) access to something that has done such severe damage over and over again in this country?

I fear daily for the safety of my children while they are at school, the grocery store, or even walking in a parking lot. It is not a question of if there will be another mass shooting in this country, but when and where. The state of Oregon should do everything it can to protect its citizens and prohibiting individuals under the age of 21 from possessing firearms is a step in the right direction.

Please take the safety of all of our lives into consideration and support HB2006.

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