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This is in opposition to HB 2005. I have heard the argument that these guns can pass through a metal detector which might be true but the bullets that they need to be used will not pass through a metal detector. Common sense needs to be used. This bill is affecting our Second Amendment rights. The punishment is too extreme. In Oregon it is now legal to take hard core drugs. The homeless have taken over every city and town on the I5 corridor yet our tax money is being wasted on these kinds of bills that take law enforcement attention away from taking care of pressing homeless, drugs and safety from homeless drug addict issues within Oregon. The people who are supporting this bill know nothing of firearms. Before the information they are repeating as truths should be considered they should be required to take a firearm safety class so they may at least know what they are talking about. The people on this committee that will be making decisions that affect all Oregonians should also be required to take a firearm safety class so they can make informed decisions instead of listening to special interest groups spouting inaccurate information. I am a gun owner, I have been through firearm safety, my son participated in 4H shooting sports, I am familiar with a variety of guns. The people deciding the fate of this bill should be at least as educated about guns as I am. You may ask yourself why someone would make a gun that you consider a ghost gun. In parts of Oregon hunting and guns are a way of life and you hold the power to take that away because there is a majority of people in the metropolitan area that show up to testify. Maybe you should hold hearings around the state so the working people in Southern and Eastern Oregon can testify. Maybe you should only hold hearings in those areas and then see how much of a turnout you have from the metropolitan area that has always decided what happens in Oregon because they outnumber the rest of the state.