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Another day...another attempt to restrict citizen liberty "for their own good" based on faulty, cherry picked and biased data. During Sars-Cov 2 replies from the OHA, when presented with evidence re: the uselessness of masking and the non-efficacy and potential ill-effects of the mRNA vaccines were met with, "we're just following the CDC Guidelines". The evidence that this was folly is mountainous and ever growing. Review the evidence? Nay, the OHA just followed the megalomaniac who declared himself "The Science". Then put in onerous efforts to stifle any dissent and accept only information that agreed with their agenda leading to what became a healthcare disaster for Oregonians and Oregon Healthcare workers. We are still dealing with the fallout.

Now this new bill wishes to hand more power over over citizens' lives to the OHA who will follow a new version of the same disastrous protocol of using public health to violate citizen rights through data cherry picking, disallowing dissenting data and bending their "investigations" to match an agenda.

This bill will essentially ensure that gun owners dealing with a mental health issue that puts them into suicidal ideation will not turn over their guns to someone for safe keeping until the crisis passes. No longer can they use a trusted friend or relative to hold their firearms due to previous restrictive Oregon legislation. The bill would restrict this to someone, likely a business, holding an FFL who can release the firearms back to the owner when the crisis has passed-which of course sets up the FFL as a treating or diagnostic psychiatric professional for which they have no training. What a gift to the trial lawyers. The prudent FFL's will simply refuse to take the individual's firearms to avoid lawsuit.

Suicide is a growing health problem. However, limiting research and focus to only one means indicates less an interest in the actual problem than using a health care issue to justify tyranny.