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On Behalf Of: Myself and Family

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure: SB1503

In August 2023, the Democratic Party of Oregon met at its' Biannual Convention and selected an Official Top 20 List of Priority Legislative Items. These items were voted into effect as a result of that convention.

It includes the following specific, identified priority:

"Repeal the Dickey Amendment and fully fund research on gun violence and; support universal background checks; close the Charleston loophole; prevent people convicted of hate crimes from owning guns; ban the manufacture and sale of assault weapons and high-capacity magazines; and repeal laws shielding gun manufacturers from civil liability."

It can be found on the Official Democratic Party of Oregon website.

As you can see, the Convention formally adopted the policy of supporting fully funded research into gun violence. Please be aware that I am a District Leader for House District 42 with first hand knowledge of the priorities of the Democratic Party of Oregon, in general, having actively participated in the 2023 Convention. I am writing on behalf of myself, personally, and my family. However, I am also directing all of you that have commented here and each of you legislators to the Democratic Party of Oregon Legislative Action Item.

By virtue of our Convention and our identified Priority Legislative Items, the Democratic Party of Oregon clearly supports the concept of this proposed legislation as well as that of several other points related to gun safety including such policies as universal background checks.

After all, we live in a time of great threats and fears as well as great opportunities to meet those threats and fears head on. Remember also that Oregon voters passed Measure 114 which is tied up in the Court system only because of the opinion of one man and which will be decided in due time.

Thank You,

Tony Fischer