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I strongly oppose House Bill 3076. Federal Firearm Licenses already have to be federally approved and licensed through the ATF. Adding a state gun licensing program is only going to unfairly control people's gun rights and put small businesses out of business. Additional regulatory burdens would have a devastating impact on small businesses, law-abiding citizens, and Oregon's economy. Further restrictions on gun ownership will ultimately drive Oregonians toward unregulated or predatory financial options and reduce the number of legally processed firearm purchases and transfers in the state.

Rather than increasing regulations on law-abiding businesses and citizens, policymakers should:

? Enforce existing firearm laws and target illegal firearm trafficking

? Ensure law enforcement agencies have the resources to prosecute offenders

? Engage industry stakeholders in developing practical, effective solutions

Rushed and impractical regulations create more issues than solutions. This bill essentially creates a state gun registry by giving the government access to when, where, how, and to whom guns are sold. That is not constitutionally sound and does not prevent gun crimes nor will reduce the number of illegal guns purchased and or utilized in criminal activity.

Why do state legislators want to willingly take away the legal and 2nd amendment constitutional rights of its citizens? This bill and HB 3075 do nothing to address crime in our state and only place further burdens on law-abiding gun owners and businesses in our state.

Respectfully,