



CONSOLIDATED OREGON INDIVISIBLE NETWORK

To: House Committee on Judiciary
From: Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN)
Re: IN SUPPORT OF HB 3075
Date: March 19, 2025

Chair Kropf, Vice-Chair Chotzen, Vice-Chair Wallan, and Members of the House Committee on Judiciary:

The Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN) **supports HB 3075, a bill to ensure the smooth implementation of Ballot Measure 114, and we urge you to pass this important legislation.** COIN is a coalition of over 50 local Indivisible groups throughout Oregon that work together to advance important federal and state legislation and engage with elected officials to promote progressive causes for the benefit of all Oregonians.

Voters made their voices heard when they passed Measure 114 in 2022: They support common-sense gun safety policies. The terms of Measure 114 have been upheld by federal and state courts, but Oregonians have yet to feel its benefits. HB 3075 will address a number of technical fixes to allow law enforcement to efficiently process permits.

“Permit to Purchase” laws exist in 13 other states. According to the [Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health](#), “These laws are associated with lower rates of diversions of firearms for use in crime, homicide, mass shootings, suicide, and shootings by police.”

Tragically, about 80% of gun deaths in Oregon are suicides. Suicide is commonly an impulsive act by a vulnerable individual. But the [impulsive nature of suicide provides a relatively simple means](#) of reducing the risk - restricting access to guns.

Contrary to the common excuse by some politicians for not supporting gun safety legislation (“It’s not the guns, it’s a mental health issue”), [actual studies indicate that easy access to guns IS a primary factor](#) in our country’s extraordinarily high rate of gun violence.

Thus, other provisions of the law - allowing law enforcement the time needed to adequately carry out background checks and restricting large capacity magazines - both have the potential to further reduce gun violence and keep Oregonians safe.

Oregonians voted for these protections. Please pass HB 3075 to give our state agencies the resources they need to vet permit applications adequately and put these protections in place.

Respectfully,

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