



To Chair Kropf, Vice Chairs Chotzen & Wallen, and all members of the House Judiciary Committee,

We are members of the Multnomah County Democrats' Criminal Justice Study Group and we support HB 3076.

The amendments to HB 3076, proposed by Rep. Kropf, direct the Department of Justice to establish a state gun dealer licensing program which would hold gun dealers and their employees accountable in many clearly defined ways. These licensing requirements would be part of a larger effort to cut down on illegal possession of firearms and on gun violence.

Moreover, these amendments clearly and wisely exclude from any licensing requirements all individual or business "non-dealers" who sell, on average less than 10 firearms annually, as well as "infrequent sellers", including people who sell firearms to a dealer after acquiring by inheritance or to comply with a recent order prohibiting possession or purchasing of a firearm.

We support HB 3076 wholeheartedly in the interest of seeking greater gun safety.

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