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I am writing to voice my opposition to sb243. After investigative research, it is clear this bill has been written only to trample rights of law abiding Oregonians and put them in more potential danger from criminals who will not heed this bill. The decision to raise the age of ownership and invoke a mandatory 72 hour wait period after purchase directly encroaches upon every law abiding Oregonian's right to own a firearm. Criminals do not purchase firearms legally, and thus will not be affected by this. Furthermore, research has shown over 90% of mass shootings have taken place in 'gun free zones'. Adding more places across this once great state that restricts the peoples' God given right to protect themselves is absolutely ludicrous. Doing so can be related to shooting fish in a barrel. It seems that control over the people has been underhandedly written under the guise of public safety. It saddens me as a 6th generation Oregonian, from ancestors who founded multiple towns and cities in this state to think our own government would turn against us.