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SB 243 Testimony of McKay Sohlberg

The waiting periods that are a part of SB 243 could have saved my husband's life. He was a beloved husband and father to three daughters. He also was a revered physician in our Eugene community. Fourteen years ago he had a psychological break related to a history of bipolar disease and purchased a gun at a sports store and used it to end his life within two hours of purchasing it. There were no signs of distress in the preceding weeks. Yesterday his third grandchild was born who will never meet his magnificent grandfather. Had there been a waiting period, we would've come home from work and known he was in distress and been able to get him help. My daughters and I along with our very large community urge you to pass SB 243 and help prevent other families from suffering this unimaginable but largely preventable loss.