

Oregon Legislature House Rules Committee hearing  
on SB 243-B Minority 11 June 2025

Good afternoon, Chair Bowman, Vice Chair Drazen, Vice Chair Pham and fellow Rules Committee members

I'm Rick Coufal, I am a Retired US Army Colonel, Ret Oregon Law Enforcement supervisor with 15 years' experience as a Law Enforcement Firearms and Use of Force Instructor for my department and DPSST, I am the NRA-ILA (Institute for Legislative Action) Frontlines Activist Leader (FAL) for Oregon, and a current 13-year NRA Firearms Instructor for all types of firearms and courses.

I am testifying **against Senate Bill 243-B Minority Bill with B Engrossed.**

Section 1 of SB 243-A requires a mandatory 72 Hour waiting period after the OSP has issued a unique approval number to the seller. This section creates logistical challenges for gun dealers and buyers. With this delay, it will **completely stop firearm sales at gun shows** here in Oregon as they are usually a 2-day event. leading to a potential economic impact on small businesses here in Oregon.

Section 2 or SB 696 makes Rapid-Fire Activators, a crime of unlawful possession. Yet there is no grandfather clause for those who have legally purchased them. **These trigger types are currently legal to buy here in Oregon;** this restriction has no off ramp for legal firearm owners that have purchased RFA's for their own enjoyment and training. Additionally, ATF has dropped the federal lawsuit against RFA's and they are now federally legal to sell and own.

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Section 3 or SB 698 public area restrictions is very confusing for the concealed handgun permit holder here in Oregon. Basically, Concealed permit holders need to be extremely careful where they walk, drive, park around public buildings for fear of breaking these laws and they had better have a safe in their vehicle to properly and safely store their firearm.