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CHAIR HOYLE & MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE:

*MY NAME IS HERMAN WELCH, AND I AM A RESIDENT OF WALDPORT OREGON.

I AM ALSO THE OWNER OF A HAND GUN WHO IS (STRONGLY IN FAVOR) OF PASSING SENATE BILL 941---THAT WILL CLOSE THE (PERSONAL) GUN SALE (LOOP HOLE) IN THE OREGON LAW.

*WHEN I PURCHASED MY GUN FROM A COMMERCIAL DEALER I WAS GLAD TO UNDERGO A BACKGROUND CHECK AND

*I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT PRIVATE GUN SALES SHOULD ALSO BE BACKGROUND CHECKED FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY.

*WE ALL HAVE A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS, BUT THE SUPREME COURT HAS ALSO MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT STATES AND CITIES ARE ABLE TO REGULATE GUN SALES.

SENATE BILL 941 IS CLEARLY WITHIN SUPREME COURT GUIDELINES FOR REASONABLE REGULATION OF THE PRIVATE SALE OF GUNS IN OREGON!

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*I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT SENATE BILL 941 WILL CLEARLY BE EFFECTIVE IN CAUSING MOST PERSONS MAKING A PRIVATE GUN SALE TO COMPLY WITH THE BACKGROUND CHECK LAW, AND SAVE LIVES IN THE PROCESS.

*MANY YEARS AGO THE N.R.A HAD A CATCHY SLOGAN THAT--WENT SOMETHING LIKE THIS:

******GUNS DON'T KILL PEOPLE-----PEOPLE KILL PEOPLE"

*****THEY WERE ABSOLUTLY CORRECT!

****PEOPLE DO KILL PEOPLE-----AND THAT IS (EXACTLY) WHY

WE NEED TO HAVE THE OREGON HOUSE (VOTE ON AND PASS

SENATE BILL 941) EXTENDING BACKGROUND CHECKS

FOR THE PERSONAL SALE OF GUNS IN OREGON!!

My thanks to Chair HOYLE and the Committee for allowing me to testify.

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