April 22, 2015

Subject: SB941

Dear House Rules Committee Co-Chairs and Members,

I am sorry that I could not stay to testify in support of SB941. I am submitting this written testimony for the Committee instead.

I support the bill because when Oregon voters passed Measure 5 in 2000, on-line gun marketing and sales was not yet happening. Today private sellers can sell their guns through Armslist.com to any stranger able to pay without any stipulation except the ability to pay. And this is only one of the on-line sale options available to people.

Oregon voters did not intend that felons and others who are prohibited from owning guns should have easy access through this loophole that did not exist in 2000. A 2014 poll shows that 78% of Oregonians said they support a criminal background check for every firearm sale.

Please vote yes on SB 941. Thank you.

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