

Honorable Committee Members:

Please submit this testimony for the committee meeting record. I oppose SB 978; and urgently urge you to do likewise. Our 2nd Amendment is crucial in maintaining the freedom and individual right to defend oneself; that is afforded the citizens of our country and great state of Oregon. Opposition is crucial to SB 978 because it would :

- Legalize age discrimination for firearm dealers to allow them to refuse service to young adults for no reason other than being under the age of 21.
- Contain language from the failed Initiative Petition 44 to impose a one-size-fits-all government solution for firearm storage and require them to be made unavailable for self-defense.
- Further victimize gun owners who have suffered a loss or theft of their property with criminal penalties if they fail to follow certain requirements when reporting them.
- Severely restrict minors from using firearms for lawful purposes such as hunting.
- End the centuries old practice of home manufacturing firearms for lawful, personal use.
- Allow local governments to create “gun-free zones” in public buildings, colleges, and airports where law-abiding citizens are disarmed and left defenseless against criminals who ignore such arbitrary boundaries
- Increase the fee to apply for a Concealed Handgun License.

The-1 amendment for SB 978 is an omnibus gun control package that includes numerous anti-gun provision that obviously infringe upon the 2nd Amendment.

Thank you for your serious consideration and support of your constituents personal rights and freedoms.

Sincerely,
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