

Good Morning,

Here are a few points I would introduced to the Panel on Tuesday, However; We were not afforded the time.

Please consider the **Preamble To the Constitution:**

"We The People" This preamble allows each individual the freedom to exercise each Amendment as an Individual.

I do not have the right to drag my neighbor out of bed to testify in front of you. That would infringe upon his "RIGHT" of Free Speech and Peaceful Assembly (1st Amendment)

The 2nd Amendment:

Clearly you understand the phrase " the **right** of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed".

The meaning of that phrase is such that any mutilation of the 2nd Amendment is Unconstitutional.

The 9th Amendment:

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

By definition this means that although it may not be written in Black and White, People have Rights that are guaranteed to them as Citizens of The United States of America

SB 978 Demands: The People must comply with the Government with regards to how they manage the storage of both Firearm and Ammunition, Based on your demands and expectations.

All Citizens have a Right to maintain and keep their own Home as their own Sanctuary.

By **Dictating** how **We** store **ANY** of **Our** possessions.

Government one day might **Dictate** how **WE The People** Worship, Read, or Entertain.

I would urge the Law makers of this State to focus on Supporting;

Law Enforcement Officers

The District Attorneys

Writing Tougher laws to include: Life in Prison/Death penalty

with regards to **ANY** death caused by the **unlawful** use of an instrument.

To include; Knife, Vehicle, Blunt instrument, and yes Firearms

Except when death is caused as the result of Self Defense. Oregon is in trouble, the number of Officers retiring and the number of Candidates completing their training is out of balance. Law Enforcement need to know the Risk they take is Appreciated.

My Son was killed 2 1/2 years ago by a man driving twice the speed limit and the killer plea bargained 24 months. Seems a terrible trade for a Life.

I have raised all Four of my children with firearms in the house.
Loss of Life is Tragic, sadly I know exactly how every victim's family feels.

I would rather my child see a well prepared Adult come to their rescue
than a scared frantic Staff tell them to wait patiently for their KILLER to find them.
Roll Over on These Perpetrators and Arm your Students and Faculty.

I am Opposed to SB 978

Thank You
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