

To whom it may concern,

As an independent voter and Oregon native, I am using this opportunity to express my dismay and frustration at what is a clear infringement on my rights as a taxpaying citizen and firearm owner. SB978 - political grandstanding at best, cancerous division at worst, is an attack - directly - on the vast majority of currently law-abiding citizens in Oregon state by placing undue burdens on those choosing to rely on themselves for their own safety and protection.

Outside of what should be the obvious burdens on citizens, I want to focus on the other impacts that I as a taxpayer refuse to support:

Enforcement - to enforce these draconian infringements, state law enforcement will require significant up-staffing. I refuse to support this as a taxpayer.

Litigation - Oregon legislature stands to fail on a Heller-level scale. Some of these public restrictions have already been overturned at higher court levels. You do not have the right to infringe on citizen rights when there have been rulings to the contrary.

Seriously, look up DC v. Heller. The storage requirements being proposed clearly violate settled SCOTUS decisions.

Litigation continued - if you continue down this path, we citizens have the opportunity to put forth voter initiatives in 2020 that allows voters to hold each one of you civilly liable for pushing illegal and burdensome legislation that infringes on our rights as U.S. citizens. If you think that won't garner enough votes, think again.

Finally, let's be crystal clear about your infringement of law-abiding citizens' rights.

Regardless of political (or non) affiliation, we will not comply with illegal and infringing behaviors pushed by elected officials.

Cordially,
Jonathan Edwards
Citizen