

Secure storage will save lives. How many stories have we all heard regarding children and young adults who have died by firearm, whether accidentally or intentional? Many gun owners secure their firearms. Approximately 54% of gun owners have at least one firearm loaded and unsecured in the home, placing 4.6 million American children at risk. As stated in HB2510, Oregon's per capita suicide rate is above the national average, and the percentage of suicides by firearms is also above the national average. Oregon can do better. My family was impacted by the death of my nephew who took his life with a firearm. Oregon can save lives with secure storage laws. Please, let us save lives and save families from the agony of these preventable deaths. Please support HB2510. Thank you.