

# Safe Gun Storage in Oregon

Unsafely stored firearms put our communities at risk. Unsecured guns increase the risk of school shootings, unintentional shootings, and gun suicides. But Oregon has no requirements for safely storing guns.

The Cindy Yuille and Steve Forsyth Act will require the safe storage of guns and prompt reporting of lost or stolen guns to law enforcement. Similar laws, like child-access prevention laws, have helped reduce gun violence in other states and made communities safer. Please join us in supporting this sensible legislation.

## The Cindy Yuille and Steve Forsyth Act

- Firearms must be locked up when they are not in the owner's control and when they are being transferred to another person
- Gun owners must report a gun that has been lost or stolen to law enforcement within 72 hours
- Minors must be supervised when handling a firearm, with reasonable exceptions
- Individuals have strict civil liability for any harm to others or property for failing to comply with the law or from failing to supervise a minor after allowing him or her to access a firearm



## 2020 SHOWED WHY

# Oregon Must Adopt Safe Storage

The COVID-19 pandemic has increased risks of unsafe firearm storage. Gun sales surged and Oregonians are spending much more time in homes with unsecured guns.

**43%**

increase in gun sales in Oregon during the first 10 months of 2020.

**40%**

of gun purchases in 2020 were by first-time buyers, retailers report.

**56%**

of people who purchased a gun during the pandemic say they've considered suicide in the past year.

**30+%**

increase in unintentional shooting deaths nationally from March to May 2020, according to preliminary data.

# OUR ORGANIZATIONS

## Urge You to Pass HB 2510



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