

The Oregon 2021 Safe Storage Bill, which being added to SB554, is based on a lie. These proposed laws would NOT have saved Cindy Yuille and Steve Forsyth from the Clackamas Town Center killer. Paul Kemp is lying to you. Here are the facts:

According to the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office active shooter investigation TIMELINE OF EVENTS <https://dochub.clackamas.us/documents/drupal/03ed9911-ccaf-4197-8b1e-918fc7b4b685> the murderer who had seen the rifle he used several months prior, stole it on December 11 between 5 a.m. and noon while sleeping over at the owners home.

The owner did not wake up until 4 p.m. on December 11, to find his rifle and murderer gone. This was over half an hour AFTER the shooting.

The owner called 911 from payphone at approximately 7 p.m. to report the rifle stolen to Portland Police, well within the 72 hours required by the proposed law.

Back on December 8 and 9 the murderer purchased several 30 round AR-15 magazines and .223 ammo from a local gun shop, a sporting goods store and a local big-box retailer. If the rifle were secured as required by the proposed law with a lock similar to the ones included with every new gun, then the murderer could have easily defeated that with a set of wire or bolt cutters also purchased earlier.

Note that only 17 rounds total were fired. A "high capacity" magazine ban would NOT have affected the outcome.

Theft was not his only option. The murderer was 22 years old with NO criminal history, NO history of violence and NO history of diagnosed mental illness. Unless he had walked into the local gun shop or sporting goods store smelling of Marijuana he could have passed the NICS background check by lying about his drug use on the Form 4473 and purchased an AR-15 by himself.

Do not believe Paul Kemp's lies. When the murderer spotted the armed CHL holder Nick Meli, he ran away and took his own life. If there is a mass shooting, it does not stop until the bad guy is confronted by a good guy with a gun. That is why 92% of mass shootings have occurred in "Gun Free" zones. And now you want to make more of them!

Finally, I along with other responsible gun owners, believe that young children and prohibited persons should not have access to loaded firearms, however this bill which places a blanket restriction on all gun owners is unnecessary and unreasonable. The murderer could have inflicted more death and injury simply by running over shoppers in the mall parking lot with his legally owned car. Should we also mandate the "Safe Storage" of all motor vehicles and hold a victim of automobile theft liable for the actions the criminal who stole there car?

Please keep the above facts in mind as you discuss SB554 and remember, you can always tell that a bill is bad when the "Whereas" at the top are lies.