

SB 2543

The section of the SB 2543 amendment that eliminates the time restriction for the OSP to respond before transfer of a firearm is a harm to Oregon citizens' rights as it can be used to create a de facto ban on a citizen acquiring a firearm. Whether the interminable delay is through incompetence, political intransigence or lack of resources the harm to citizen's rights is the same.

There have already been multiple problems with the OSP taking an inordinate amount of time to deliver an authorization of the transfer. Many dealers are already cowed into not granting the transfer, although the law states that if the OSP does not meet the time requirement then the transfer may occur. The reasons for these already occurring delays are unclear but the result is a denial of a citizen's rights.

An interminably delayed right is a denial of that right.

I oppose the proposed changes in SB 2543.

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