

Chair Prozanski and members of the committee,

As the state capital building is not open for in-person testimony, I offer this written testimony instead.

I oppose SB 554 for the following reasons:

- 1) This bill is a solution looking for a problem to solve. There is no evidence that lawful CHL holders perpetrate crimes simply by carrying their firearm no matter where they are.
- 2) Allowing individual municipalities to create rules that preempt state statutes breeds confusion for everyone, and again, tries to solve a non-existent problem.

For these reasons, and others expressed by testimony from fellow Oregonians, I urge you to put aside this unnecessary bill. Focus instead on your job of doing good things for the state of Oregon such as budgeting within revenue constraints, repealing taxes, and repealing heavy handed emergency actions imposed by governor Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Calef