

Hello,

I am a resident of Marion County, Oregon. I am writing today to beg you to oppose SB 554. For years, our 2nd amendment rights have been under attack. All the while, violent crimes and rape statistics against women of our country have been on the rise. In 2006, based on reported cases over 600 American women were raped every day. In 2019, it was up to over 1780 EVERY day. Someone's daughter, someone's mom, someone's sister, someone's wife. I travel frequently out of necessity. I have school age children. I support open carry to get back to normalizing good people being armed. To even open carry in Salem, a CHL is required. I cannot imagine how many women you have already prevented from being able to protect themselves. To further limit, where I and my fellow Americans can protect ourselves is unacceptable. The government cannot continue to overreach when we all know dang well that you cannot protect all of us. Allow me to protect myself. Allow me to feel secure everywhere that I will never be a rape victim again.

Sincerely, Jennifer hortacg