

Chair Prozanski, Vice-chair Thatcher,

My name is Darren Davidson. I come before you in opposition to Senate Bill 554. This bill does nothing to reduce crime or violence in our state. Instead, this bill would negatively affect lawful CHL holders in the state. CHL holders have been vetted and are responsible citizens in our communities. We should not create any laws that target this group of Oregon citizens.

Criminals do not respect the current laws and will not respect or follow any new laws. This proposed bill is not necessary in our state, especially considering other states are currently allowing concealed carry without a permit, using the United States 2nd Amendment as the guide.

I would urge you to spend your time and resources on the real issues of today, opening our economy, getting small businesses back open, getting schools back open, balancing the state budget, lessening regulation on building affordable housing, finding a solution to PERS and reducing our state government.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

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