

Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher,

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my strong opposition to SB 554. First, to me this bill is obviously unconstitutional. SB 554 will only create additional, massive "gun free zones", where nearly all mass shootings historically occur.

Legal conceal carry holders already prevent, stop, or delay violent attacks all over the nation, including many in Oregon. Very recently, a violent attack was stopped right here in Klamath County. Further limiting the Constitutional right to bear arms will only embolden the violent offenders, as they will certainly violate any new law, along with existing laws. This Bill will only further restrict legal gun holders in Oregon.

Also raising fees is nothing more than creating additional, un voted on taxes.

I encourage you to KILL THIS BILL NOW!

Thank you,

Tom Mallams

Lifelong resident and past Klamath County Commissioner