

This bill would criminalize law abiding citizens, who are responsible firearms owners and have acquired, by Oregon's laws to carry a concealed weapon and exercise our 2nd Amendment right to bear arms to protect ourselves. As we see on the news where, violent acts, situations, shootings occur, they happen mostly in public settings. Schools, universities, public transportation, and even churches where it is the one place we thought was the safest. By inhibiting law abiding citizens to arm and protect themselves wherever they are, be it at school or riding public transportation, or dropping a loved ones off at the airport, not only are you attempting to punish law abiding firearms owners with felony charges, but punish those who have responsibly educated themselves and registered legally, per Oregon's law to obtain a CHL and protect ourselves. With all the violence that occurs today, with the restructuring of police departments and personnel, who are supposed to be protecting the public, instead not only does restructuring of police leaves Oregonians feeling less protected and more vulnerable, it's giving the criminals more rights than law abiding citizens. I oppose this bill 100% and strongly urge you, as leaders that we have elected in office, to fight on our behalf, and not just go along with what appears to be the wave of "cancel culture" to oppose this bill!!