

This bill gives the governor (and presumably multiple levels of administrators below her) the opportunity to end all gun sale in Oregon on a whim. All they have to do is defund or remove personnel from the background check office and all background checks will stop and no gun sales can be completed. Leaving things as they are incentivizes the government to do their job efficiently. So long as the background check office is doing its job in an efficient manner then there should never be a situation where a background check drags on long enough for the applicant to receive their firearm by default. Furthermore, as a matter of practicality, no gun dealer is willing to accept the personal and professional liability of releasing that firearm even if the deadline expires. This bill is unnecessary and unreasonable.