

**HB 2006 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Judiciary**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Provides that a person commits the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm if the person is under 21 years of age. Permits a person who is at least 18 years of age and not otherwise prohibited from possessing a firearm to possess the following firearms: a single-shot rifle, whether centerfire or rimfire; a double-barreled shotgun; a repeating rifle, whether centerfire or rimfire, that has a bolt, lever, pump, straight-pull or revolving action; a rifle with an attached tubular magazine designed to accept, and capable of operating only with, .22 caliber rimfire ammunition; a muzzleloader rifle; or a shotgun with a pump, break, level, revolving action (ORS 166.250(2)(b)). Permits a minor to temporarily possess a firearm listed in ORS 166.250(2)(b) if it was transferred to the minor by their parent or guardian. Provides that a person may not intentionally sell, deliver or otherwise transfer a firearm when the transferor knows or reasonably should know that the recipient is under 21 years of age and classifies the violation as a Class A misdemeanor, but does not apply if a minor is temporarily transferred a firearm listed in ORS 166.250(2)(b) by their parent or guardian.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Under current law, those who are between the ages of 18-20 are permitted to purchase and possess shot guns and rifles. Those who are 21 years or older are permitted to purchase or possess all other firearms, including shot guns and rifles. Parents or guardians of minors, or another person with the parent or guardian's consent, may transfer a firearm, other than a handgun, to a minor or temporarily transfer any firearm to a minor for hunting, target practice, or any other lawful purpose.

Senate Bill 2006 prohibits those under 21 years of age from possessing certain categories of firearms, permits those over 18 years of age to possess certain other categories of firearms, and allows a parent or guardian to temporarily transfer certain categories of firearms to a minor.