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Members of the Committee,

There comes a point when law abiding people grow weary of the constant attacks on our freedoms and liberty. This is one such point. HB 2005 seeks to solve a non-existent problem. By the text of this bill an undetectable firearm is a firearm that will not be detected by a metal detector. In order to function as a firearm it must have a metal barrel, which is detectable. The only possible firearm that would be truly undetectable is one that has a ceramic barrel and that is exceedingly rare and expensive.

Regarding unfinished "frames and receivers" and parts kits. The reality is that the instance of home built firearms being used in crimes is extremely low; something like .05% of crimes are committed using a home built firearm. For criminals it is much easier to steal a firearm than the build one. It has been touted that home built firearms are very easy to build and can be done in a matter of minutes. That is a LIE! As with any precision piece of equipment, it takes time, the right tools and knowledge. Criminals are not interested in committing those kind of resources.

This bill is also unconstitutional if it were to become law as there is no provision for grandfathering any ownership of said firearms predating the implementation of this bill as a law. That would constitute an ex post facto law; clearly unconstitutional.

In closing, You, Members of the Committee, and We, the Public know that this is part of the all out attempt to disarm law the abiding and legal citizens and residents of Oregon. Instead of wasting time and resources on this nonsense, how about working on fixing the lawlessness that is rampant in Portland and most of Oregon and leave the rest of us, who pay the taxes you get to spend, alone.

Respectfully