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Measure: HB2005

Please support HB 2005 to save the lives of Oregonians and to make our public areas safer.

Ghost guns circumvent our existing gun safety laws because they are untraceable, unrecognizable in metal detectors, and unregulated.

This bill would crack down on undetectable, untraceable firearms (or “ghost guns”). Right now, ghost guns, or guns that aren’t serialized and are not detectable, have emerged as a weapon of choice for violent criminals, gun traffickers, dangerous extremists, and, generally, people already legally prohibited from buying firearms. We have an obligation to keep guns out of the hands of criminals, but ghost guns are untraceable by law enforcement when they are used to commit crimes. House Bill 2005 will make sure law enforcement can do their jobs, while making sure enthusiasts can still pursue their hobbies, by simply requiring that guns now be serialized. This bill exempts antique firearms and firearms manufactured prior to 1968, when federal firearms legislation went into effect.

Please support HB 2005 to help save lives by prohibiting undetectable, untraceable firearms that have never gone through a background check.