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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: HB2007

I am writing to strongly urge you to oppose this deeply flawed bill.

The 2nd amendment right to own and bear arms is clear. Stop trying to infringe upon it.

Granting local bodies the right to change state handgun policy is dangerous. Citizens who qualify for CHL concealed carry licenses are good, law abiding citizens. They are not the criminals, but in this bill you are attacking their right, their permits to carry arms for self defense, and potential making them criminals.

Additionally, statistical information regarding shootings and mass shootings make it clear that conceal carry holders are not the attackers, but the criminals who do decide to attack others in public overwhelmingly target 'gun free zones' the likes of which you are trying to create. Why would you encourage the creation of more obvious hunting grounds for criminals when you know very well that additional rules limiting the ability of citizens to defend themselves puts everyone at greater risk?

Vote no on this terrible bill and focus on things that will make lives of law-abiding Oregonians better, not worse. Increase funding for police, toughen penalties for criminals who are already breaking the law instead of setting them free to attack again.

We are counting on you to protect us, not oppress us. Vote no.

Thank you

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