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I'm a mom of two small children in Bend and am fully in support of the firearm purchase age being raised to 21 years old. Honestly, I'm scared of the country we live in and that I have to fear sending my children to school because there is the possibility that they won't make it home. It's an absolutely terrifying thought that we shouldn't have to go through in this country or in our state. The majority of the mass shootings that have happened have been from young men under the age of 21. Raising the age to purchase would be a huge step in the right direction for preventing horrific situations like this. Owning a firearm is a really big responsibility. It should be taken incredibly seriously and it only makes sense that the purchase of a weapon that can kill another human being should be reserved for adults. I'm not against citizens owning firearms but given what is unfolding in our country on a daily basis, we have to take action towards preventing mass shootings. This bill does that. We have to do better for our kids. For our country and all those who live in it.