Submitter: Richard Roberts

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure: HB2005

Please do not allow HB2005 to move forward. Vote NO! The citizens are becoming tired of those do-gooders who would propose a symbolic solution that creates criminal out of the law abiding in the spirit of affecting an unrelated problem at the expense of both tax payers and law abiding citizens. This alleged issue of the impact of "Ghost" guns on crimes committed with a firearm does NOT have any data to support the storyline. It makes a good narrative, in a time when local governments are struggling to get control of rampant crime and random violence. However, we need to return to the process of using reliable data to make sound decisions as the unintended consequences of bad laws are destroying this great state...Anytime we create a law that is symbolic and not effective at accomplishing its stated intent - by definition- we are reducing liberty in exchange for a failed attempt.

HB2005, along with other bills do not seem to be passing the constitutional sniff test, which is problematic, as this becomes at least a 4 fold expense to the tax payers.

- 1. We pay the legislature in the form of money and time to mull over & process the bill (except we seem to be skipping the step where the legislature sniffs it for constitutional viability)
- 2. If it gets passed, we have to pay to sue in court to show the lack of constitutionality which should have been caught in the first step.
- 3. We have to pay the state to defend the bill against the constitutionality legal action.
- 4. Reduced Liberty

How many times are we going to do this?

I am not a ghost gun builder or owner! I am an Oregonian who has had it with the elected officials lowering the bar for how we create laws that govern this state. Please be the light that brings honor and common sense back to our state - Vote NO on HB2005 and any other bill that has a weak foundational argument or is missing the supportive data. Finally please raise your standards, if a bill has 1 thing that is not right or just please kill that bill.