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Salutations Senate Committee on Veterans, etc.

If I understand this correctly, this would force every law enforcement agency, public and private, to be under the whims of the Governor; from Sheriff, City Police, Marshal and private security such as "Mall cops". There is no real reason whatsoever to have more centralized governmental authority. This is what many would refer to dictatorship, or act of.

The founding of this country, United States, was designed NOT to have centralized governmental system, like a Monarchy and such, where one person having the authority to will their power over such broad ability without debate but, by their own single will. I do not believe that this act is Constitutional nor do I believe that this act is within the spirit of the Constitution in separations of powers where the People have the ability to be part of the Governmental process, have a say, and be represented.

To anyone who reading this, and wonder what I am referring to: SECTION 1. ORS 30.847; Paragraph 3; Part C; Item I and II.

Section mention brings the definition what is "Organized Militia", and SB 947 to alter those of these "Organized Militia" into the Oregon National Guard that is under the control of the State Governor. With this act, I strongly oppose this completely. Centralizing governmental entities like this is not in the spirit of the Constitution at all, denies the People a voice especially when electing Sheriff's. It is no wonder why in the past nearly 30 years that police and law enforcement ranks are hard to fill, and becoming more difficult.

Vote this down.

Regards

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