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Hi my name is kyle bennett. I am a 24 year old who works a decent career in warehousing and I'm a firearm owner and business owner. Also I am a major history buff so much so I have copies of the founding documents of the country and the state of oregon. The reason I oppose this bill is because historically "national guard" in place of "militia" is a misinterpretation. The reason it's a misinterpretation is because none of the founding fathers wanted 100% government control of the fighting forces. The founders knew that if it was government controlled it would lead to abuse of power. Should you need a real world example of this look up Athens Tennessee about 1946. If the civilians didn't have firearms they would have been powerless. I refuse to be powerless. Oregon is my home I was born and raised here and lived here my whole life but if you change this in our state constitution I may find another state to live in one that does in fact respect individual liberties.