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There is no 'emergency' in gun deaths in Oregon. Besides being against the second amendment, This bill will do nothing to 'solve' the gun deaths in Oregon, and will only put expensive, and currently unobtainable, obstacles in the path of law abiding citizens wanting to purchase firearms. Of the 655 Deaths by gun in Oregon (2022 CDC data), 155 were homicide - over 80% of them were gang related. Not a single gang member is going to go through this process. So until you do something about gangs, this number is only going to go up. 477 of the deaths were Suicide (The USA is the only country that includes suicide in gun deaths - most list it as mental health). Until the mental health issues are addressed, people intent on suicide will find another way. 15 children were killed by guns, no distinction between accidental and school shootings. More kids die from taking medicine in their parents medicine cabinet each year. So until you mandate all prescriptions must be in locked safes, more children will die from accidental overdose than guns. Oregon already mandates guns be kept in safes, so we should have zero (0) accidental guns deaths in Oregon - unless the law doesn't work.

Bottom line: This bill is trying to solve a problem that doesn't exist in Oregon - at least not as an 'emergency'. It will be expensive to implement, will cost the Oregon tax payers millions in legal fees.

Please vote NO HB 3075!!!