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I stand in protest and opposition of HB3075 which is an infringement on We the People in this once great State of Oregon.

The Second Amendment to the United States Constitution reads: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed. The key sentence in the 2nd amendment for this case is "shall not be infringed". Take notice that it is an independent thought that stands on it's own because it is preceded by a comma that is in reference to ownership which is also independent of a Militia and the security of a free state!

I provided following definition to the legislature for clarification of what infringement is to bring to light that an attempt to break the constitution is being made while those attempting to do so are breaking their oath to the constitution of the United States of America and their oath to State office.

Definition of infringement. Data from Oxford Languages.

the action of breaking the terms of a law, agreement, etc.; violation: "copyright infringement" - "an infringement of the rules"

Similar: contravention, violation, transgression, breach, the action of limiting or undermining something:

"the infringement of the right to privacy" - "this bill is an infringement of our civil liberties" End of paragraph.

The last line says it all. This is an infringement of our civil liberty because it hinders the ability of a person to obtain a gun unless they are authorized by the State of Oregon to obtain one. No where in the 2nd amendment does it say training to own or buy a gun required. No where does it say that you need to pay a fee in order to have a background check performed in order to buy a gun. No where does it say you are required to have a state issued document in order to purchase a gun because it is a right, not a privilege like having a state issued driver license.

All of these requirements are infringements that provide nothing more than a blockage/hindrance against obtaining a gun as well as fees which is illegal because you are charging for exercising a right and making it into a privilege just like you have done with concealed carry in this state. The saddest part of it all is that it only infringes on the law-abiding citizens, not the criminal because he/she/it will still have a gun. The criminal doesn't care for or follow any laws and they are the ones most dangerous with guns.

Common sense and statistics show an armed society is a polite society because crime rates drop when states change to constitutional carry. Making rules with fees would create a hardship on those that are under funded. So let me ask, what area's are most of the crimes committed in the USA. It's the under privileged areas which tend to be large groups of people of color like in the projects. So I question if this isn't more about keeping people of color from having the same opportunity to protect themselves and reinstating Jim Crow?

In closing I request the legislature realize we have enough laws and this will not change outlaws having a gun. Measure 114 required We the People be trained by law enforcement and disqualifies the NRA for such training. So let me ask, who do you think trained law enforcement? This law if imposed will serve no other purpose than to create another gun ownership database. It takes away the standard capacity of 30 rounds making those in possession a criminal if they cannot provide proof that they purchased it before the new law went into effect. It is not the responsibility for the individual to produce the legal paper for something they own that was legal and changed to be made illegal. It should be the government's responsibility because according to USA law, I am not guilty until proven innocent in America, I am innocent until the government proves guilty, It is against the law to make laws or rules that entrap people and that is what this unconstitutional law would do.