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I support passage of HB 3076 because Oregon desperately needs a licensing program for gun dealers that will reduce the carnage on our streets. Speaking for a family that was deeply affected by a mass shooting, I can tell you the harm done by unlicensed gun sales far outweighs the minor inconvenience of a licensing program. Oregon has 2,000 gun dealers and less than 2% were inspected last year. Many of those inspections showed significant violations that could have resulted in violence. Police statistics show that three quarters of the guns recovered in crimes recently were bought from in-state dealers. You have the power to reduce the flow of weapons to the wrong hands by supporting a program that will hold gun dealers to real accountability.