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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3075

I am writing to express my strong opposition to HB 3075. While I understand the desire to promote public safety, this bill imposes excessive restrictions and unnecessary burdens on law-abiding gun owners while failing to address the root causes of gun violence.

The permit processing time causes an unnecessary delay and places an undue burden on responsible citizens exercising their Second Amendment rights. Extending the wait time could lead to situations where individuals seeking firearms for self-defense are left vulnerable due to bureaucratic inefficiencies.

Additionally, the permit fees disproportionately impacts lower-income Oregonians. The right to self-defense should not be limited to those who can afford these inflated fees. This effectively creates a financial barrier to firearm ownership, unfairly penalizing responsible gun owners.

HB 3075 also creates concerning privacy issues by maintaining a government database of permit holders. Although the bill exempts this information from public records requests, any centralized government registry of lawful gun owners raises serious constitutional and security concerns. Oregon citizens should not have to fear that their private information will be misused or exposed.

Furthermore, the bill modifies the affirmative defense provisions for "large-capacity" magazines, potentially criminalizing responsible gun owners who have lawfully possessed such items before the passage of previous laws. It is unreasonable to expect citizens to surrender their legally acquired property without just compensation. A magazine over 10 rounds is standard in many guns and would leave many unable to use their guns for self-defense.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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