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On Behalf of: Our Communities

Committee: House Committee on Judiciary

Topic: HB3076

Dear Representatives Krope, Grayber, & McDonald, and Senators Reynolds & Broadman,

I am writing in support of HB3076.

I approve of initiating a study for the establishment of a gun dealer licensing program. So many other businesses in Oregon are licensed and inspected every year, and it's time that all gun dealers also experience required licensing and inspection.

Even during Covid, my brother, a caterer, had to license the kitchen he worked in and have inspections during the year. He had no problem with even surprise inspections because he keeps his kitchen spotless and up to code. In this situation, the state wants to decrease the possibility of food poisoning because of unhealthy kitchen protocol or food storage. How much more important it is to work to reduce gun trafficking and to protect Oregonians from gun violence? Why should there be any problem for gun dealers to follow best practices for being a careful and safe gun dealership if they are following the law? Regulating gun dealers in Oregon is in the public interest, even more so than rigorous kitchen inspections are for people who eat at restaurants. Isn't in the interest of Oregonians that all gun dealers follow the laws for selling guns?

Please vote YES on HB3076 to send this bill out of committee. Thank you.