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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3076

Dear Members of the Committee,

Last year, less than 2% of Oregon's 2,000 gun dealers were inspected, despite nearly half of inspections uncovering serious violations—such as selling firearms without background checks or failing to report multiple sales. Meanwhile, more than 6,000 crime guns were recovered in Oregon, with nearly 75% traced back to in-state gun dealers.

We must stop the flow of illegal guns. States with gun dealer licensing have reduced gun trafficking by 70% and gun homicides by 36%. Yet while nearly every other industry—taco trucks, salons, nail shops—is routinely inspected, the firearm industry operates with far less oversight, despite its lethal impact on our communities.

As a parent in Portland, I care deeply about the safety of our neighborhoods. HB 3076 is a common-sense measure to hold gun dealers to basic business standards and keep crime guns off our streets.

Please pass HB 3076 to help build a safer Oregon.

Thank you for your time and consideration.