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I have a real problem with HB 3075. I am a registered Democrat, I live in Salem, and I vote, so let's just be clear on exactly who I am before you make assumptions.

First off, I have a real problem with most gun control legislation because it is very ableist. HB 3075 is no exception. Limiting options for disabled people can often mean they cannot access an effective firearm that works for them. Magazine restrictions negatively impact people who have a wide range of disabilities, including extremely common issues such as arthritis, but can otherwise safely and legally operate a firearm for recreation, self defense, or any other legal reason. Not to mention it's classist, disabled people tend to be lower income, the restrictions in HB 3075 cost a lot and make legally purchased items suddenly illegal and unable to be used. Not that issues of classism are not bad on their own, but they are a double whammy for people who suffer constant ableism while trying to navigate their daily lives. Metaphorically it rips the guns right out of poorer people's hands until such time as they can somehow, while struggling with high rent, inflation, and ridiculous food prices, spend a bunch of money rebuying magazines and other items that comply. This can easily amount to an immediate \$500 or more burden on any disabled or low income person who likely owns very common firearms.

I also have a real problem with the vague standards for permit denial. We should all know that unconscious bias alone means that even with the best of intentions on the part of any evaluator that disabled, queer, and non white people will be disproportionately denied and far from being more likely to be violent, they are all more likely to be victims of violence. What is more you are asking people who do not necessarily have any training in these social issues to apply a vague standard such as "likely to be a danger" which will almost guarantee bias will affect the outcome. If you cannot design a shall issue system that eliminates any chance of bias then you are failing the vulnerable constituents you claim to support. Even venerable laws such as IDEA see fit to force clear standards for things such as goal setting when designing IEP plans for students. You can define a clear standards that are fair and equitable, failure to do so is simply abandoning your duty to every Oregon resident.

Beyond the cost of having to replace them, retroactively making me or anyone else a criminal for legally purchased items should be a non starter. I cannot believe the majority of either Democrats or Republicans are for this. This is bordering on authoritarian and if you feel you would not do this regarding previously legal speech it is unconscionable to do so for firearm and related items, many of which are the default items that come with some of the most common firearm purchases in the

United States, including some of the most common hand guns in America such as the Glock 19.

I expect better of my elected officials. As far as I can tell HB 3075 is performative rather than effective and its supporters simply do not care who they hurt. Well I am a disabled, registered Democrat who votes, I have a college degree and before my unfortunate illness had a prestigious and well paying career. You're hurting me. You're hurting my trans friends, who I can tell you are terrified right now. I know because I talk to them, or really just listen to them. My poor friends are struggling every month to pay rent and buy food and they can't afford the extra costs associated with this, instead of making sure they don't become homeless you spend your time on this?

You could do things that matter and would help us all. Fund Hold My Gun and similar programs and make sure there is no penalty at all for using them. You could affect gun suicide over night and hurt no one. HB 3075 hurts me, it hurts many Oregonians, more than you think. Please stop.