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Oregon HB 3076, concerning gun dealer licensing, represents a direct threat to the fundamental rights of law-abiding Oregonians. The Second Amendment of the United States Constitution guarantees the right of individuals to keep and bear arms, and this right should not be infringed upon by excessive state regulations.

This bill, under the guise of public safety, seeks to impose unnecessary burdens on gun dealers, which will ultimately restrict the ability of citizens to exercise their constitutional rights. Such licensing schemes often lead to:

- \* Increased costs and bureaucratic hurdles, making it more difficult for individuals to purchase firearms for self-defense.

- \* The potential for abuse and discrimination, as licensing authorities may impose subjective criteria and create de facto gun registries.

- \* The destruction of small businesses, as onerous regulations force local gun dealers to close their doors.

Furthermore, there is no evidence to suggest that stricter gun dealer licensing will effectively reduce gun violence. Criminals will always find ways to obtain firearms, regardless of regulations. This bill will only serve to punish law-abiding citizens and undermine their fundamental rights.

Therefore, I strongly oppose Oregon HB 3076 and urge the legislature to uphold the Second Amendment rights of all Oregonians."