

I am writing this in opposition of HB3075 and any bill or measure in its likeness. HB3075 and like house bills do nothing to lower crime, accidents or suicide and only hurt law abiding citizens and our constitutional right to bear arms. HB3075 is yet another bill aimed at taking away rights from law abiding citizens only to sell it back to them under the guise it will lower crime. Poor leadership, underfunded law enforcement, legalizing crime and other political failings have created the situation we now find ourselves in. Further limiting the rights of legal firearm ownership is another poor decision in a disillusioned attempt to stop crime. Limiting the type of firearms and magazine size does nothing to lower crime but instead makes it harder for legal gun owners to protect themselves and their loved ones against criminals that disregard any and all laws. These lawless people are not acquiring these firearms through legal routes and many come from beyond the borders of Oregon. They know that people who are disarmed and disadvantaged are easy targets. States with similar laws like California, Illinois and Washington run rampant with large, organized crime, shootings and gang activity. Portland should not decide what rights we can or cannot have in the rest of Oregon. Oregon and its duly elected politicians should be looking at Oregon's multitude of laws protecting criminals, lowering minimum sentences, legalizing crimes or decreasing law enforcement effectiveness before it unconstitutionally restricts law abiding citizens with yet another scheme to restrict lawful firearm ownership.