

March 20,2025

Judiciary Committee Oregon House of Representatives Re: Ceasefire Oregon supports HB 3076-1

Dear Rep. Kropf,

Ceasefire Oregon supports HB 3076-1. We wish to draw your attention to the issue of selling inherited firearms and selling firearms when one becomes prohibited from possessing firearms.

Situation:

- In HB 3076-1, "Infrequent sellers" are people who sell an average of 10 or fewer guns in 12 months. (<u>3076-1 page 1, lines 20-21 and page 2, lines</u> <u>1-8)</u>
- Exceptions to "infrequent sellers":
 - People who are selling inherited firearms can sell up to 30 guns in five or fewer transactions (timeframe not provided by HB 3076-1), and
 - People who are selling firearms because they recently became prohibited from possessing firearms and are complying with the laws but the -1 amendment does not specifically state how many guns prohibited possessors can legally sell.

The problem with the situation:

- My organization, Ceasefire Oregon, receives several calls yearly from people who have inherited dozens of firearms and are attempting to dispose of them through firearm turn-ins.
 - It is not uncommon for people to own or inherit dozens (or even hundreds) of firearms.
 - HB 3076-1 must help people who wish to rid themselves of unwanted inherited firearms AND people who must dispossess due to prohibition of possession of guns.

A possible solution:

• Ceasefire Oregon urges the sponsors and cosponsors of HB 3076-1 to help people who wish to dispose of unwanted firearms legally to easily do so.

- A state-based firearm disposal program:
 - The state could create a program to accept and destroy unwanted firearms.
 - The program could be limited, or could be open to any Oregonian who wants to dispose of an unwanted firearm.
 - A disposal program would be paid for by fees collected when a firearm or ammunition is sold. This is similar to other <u>disposal</u> <u>program fees</u>.

(https://www.oregon.gov/deq/FilterDocs/HWgenfees.pdf)

• The state could issue a temporary state license at fee rates equal to those listed in HB 3076-1 page 3, lines 16-21.

Ceasefire Oregon is very interested in talking about other ways Oregon can help people who wish to dispose of unwanted inherited firearms or who must dispose of guns. Oregon's interests are best served when people can legally dispose of firearms rather than keep unwanted firearms in their homes or attempt to illegally sell firearms.

Thank you,

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