Testimony in Opposition to HB 3076

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Chair [Committee Chair's Name], Vice-Chairs, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to HB 3076. While this bill is framed as a study, I believe it is a clear step toward policies that would further infringe upon our Second Amendment rights. This study is not merely an academic exercise--it is the groundwork for future restrictions that could make it even more difficult for law-abiding citizens to exercise their constitutional right to keep and bear arms.

Far too often, studies like this are used to justify unnecessary and burdensome regulations on responsible gun owners. Instead of focusing on enforcing existing laws and addressing the root causes of crime, HB 3076 appears to be laying the foundation for restrictive policies that will do little to improve public safety but will create additional barriers for lawful gun ownership.

The right to bear arms is not a privilege granted by the government--it is a fundamental right protected by the Constitution. Any effort to restrict or regulate that right, even under the guise of a study, must be met with serious skepticism. If implemented, the recommendations from this study could lead to more red tape, increased costs, and further erosion of our freedoms.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to oppose HB 3076 and any future attempts to undermine the rights of law-abiding Oregonians. Thank you for your time and consideration.