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On Behalf Of: Oregon residents
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3076

Measure HB 3076: Directs the Department of Justice to study the establishment of a state gun dealer licensing program, and to provide the results of the study to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2026.

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Position: Oppose

Testimony:

I am opposed to HB 3076 for several reasons, but I will keep this short and to the point. I am most concerned about the potentially dangerous situation this could create for our state.

This places a tremendous, undue burden on our FFLs. The extra, unnecessary, and extremely redundant procedures and costs will likely put many out of business. I worry this will create a supply-and-demand issue, similar to what happens during prohibition. Black market activity will increase - this is the dangerous part I mentioned. Another concern is the unknown cost. Oregonians are already heavily taxed, and it's not getting easier. The cost of living here is uncomfortable, especially for lower-income people. Additionally, after reading this, correct me if I'm wrong, but it sounds like the State of Oregon wants to create a firearms registry. Speaking of undue burden, that's definitely unconstitutional. Please consider that this House Bill is potentially dangerous to the public, imposes unknown costs on all Oregon citizens, and is unconstitutional to both FFLs and law-abiding citizens of Oregon.

Thank you for considering my testimony.