



**To:** House Committee on Judiciary  
**From:** Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN)  
**Re: IN SUPPORT OF HB 3076-1**  
**Date:** March 22, 2025

*Chair Kropf, Vice-Chair Chotzen, Vice-Chair Wallan, and Members of the House Committee on Judiciary:*

The Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN) **supports HB 3076 with the -1 amendment, requiring state licenses for gun dealers, and we urge you to pass this important legislation.** COIN is a coalition of over 50 local Indivisible groups throughout Oregon that work together to advance important federal and state legislation and engage with elected officials to promote progressive causes for the benefit of all Oregonians.

HB 3976-1 is exactly the kind of common sense legislation related to firearms that COIN members, along with a majority of Oregonians, support. Oregon requires licenses and regular inspections for all kinds of businesses to protect the safety of Oregonians, from restaurants to nail salons to acupuncture clinics to cannabis dispensaries. Why on earth should a business dealing with deadly weapons be exempt from these most basic requirements?

Contrary to the excuses by some politicians and many gun enthusiasts (“It’s not the guns, it’s a mental health issue”), actual [studies indicate that easy access to guns IS a primary factor](#) in our country’s extraordinarily high rate of gun violence. Thus, there’s a relatively easy thing we can do to help prevent loss of life by guns: stop making guns so easily to get! Basic safety practice for gun dealers can help prevent guns from getting into the wrong hands.

**Licensing and inspecting the businesses that sell guns is a common sense action we can and should take right now. Please pass HB 3076-1.**

Respectfully,

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