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Senate Committee on Judiciary
Senate Bill 243

Dear Chair Senator Prozanski, Vice-Chair Senator Thatcher and members of the Committee:

Aside from the obvious intentions of this bill to further limit law abiding Oregonians in their 2nd Amendment rights this bill proposes to further limit the places where an Oregonian who has been vetted and approved may carry a concealed weapon. The wording of the bill could not be more specific in telling what the supporters and sponsors of this bill think of gun owners, e.g. "... the crime of possessing a firearm on grounds adjacent to public buildings owned or controlled by the governing body." Yes, what a reprehensible crime! The amendments to this bill also carry a long list of further restrictions.

It is beyond reason just why supporters and sponsors of bills such as SB 243 and others are so afraid of law-abiding citizens wanting to protect themselves and others. It makes no sense at all. What is happening to our state? Is this the much ballyhooed 'Oregon Way'?

There is no doubt that bills such as these and others want to end civilian ownership of firearms as well as close down all gun retail stores. Why is this happening? Where is the evidence that this is a good idea?

I urge the Committee to table this legislation and let it go no further.
Thank you,
Richard Wisner