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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB243

To whom it may concern,

I strongly oppose SB243. It is plainly obvious that this proposed senate bill and the amendment, which bears the meat of legislative change, have been created to circumvent notice and input from the people which you represent in a deceptive and outright dishonest move. This "gut and stuff" bill and it's amendment among other horrendous things targets the God given right to keep and bear arms (which includes semi-automatic centerfire rifles) for young adults ages 18-20 years old. While many may argue this is for public safety and to prevent suicide, this does nothing but criminalize already mentally stable, law-abiding, voting and military age citizens. If the legislature is truly concerned with the young adults of Oregon who many have been poorly educated by our failing public schools, given into criminal behavior, and put under a burdensome cost of living at the beginning of their adult lives. I would advise they put their effort into such matters rather than needlessly targeting their rights restricting their ability to protect themselves and loved ones, provide themselves and family members with wild game, and lawfully enter into recreational shooting.

As a young man who has sought to live peaceable and lawfully in the state of Oregon and not be criminalized from exercising my rights. I hope you would share my sentiments and oppose the passing of this bill.

Thank you,

Thomas Caro