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SB243

Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher, and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

I am writing today in support of the common sense gun violence prevention measures consolidated into SB 243. There are many areas I could speak to, but one that seems compelling to me is banning guns from additional sensitive places, including the Oregon zoo. I am a wildlife rescue volunteer and a zoo member. I do wildlife and environmental education. I love going to the zoo. I do not like the idea of someone being able to conceal carry a gun into the zoo. There's no benefit, only the downside of someone potentially leaving their gun in a zoo bathroom, having it accidentally discharge and causing a panic, or someone getting into an argument and using their gun because they have it. I ask that you expand the areas that are gun-free zones.

Thank you,  
Fern Wexler