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Please remember the Oregon legislature as well as the voters of Oregon have recently demonstrated support for common sense gun safety measures. We've come to realize we need to do something to focus our efforts with the safety and security of our community as a top priority, while still remaining aware of second amendment rights. This bill, SB 243, does just that. This is a balanced bill.

As a point of information, the Democratic Party has also recognized the importance of prioritizing the need to help families feel more safe and secure from gun violence of all kinds. In fact, the current Democratic Party platform/legislative action items, voted upon by Party members in 2023, includes this Top 20 legislative action item, I quote: "Repeal the Dickey Amendment and fully fund research on gun violence and; support universal background checks; close the Charleston loophole; prevent people convicted of hate crimes from owning guns; ban the manufacture and sale of assault weapons and high-capacity magazines; and repeal laws shielding gun manufacturers from civil liability."

It is difficult to make change, even if that change is based on factors including evidence, sound intuition and common sense agreement by legislators and large numbers of voters in our great state. Together, with thoughtfulness and courage, we can make a difference. Thank you on behalf of my entire family in Oregon.