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On Behalf Of: NAV
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB697

Dear Oregon Representatives, I request a NO vote on Senate Bill 697. The premise behind an age limit to own and operate a firearm is counter productive and needless. I believe it is also unconstitutional. Far more innocent people are killed each year by motor vehicle operated by 16-21 year olds than by firearms. Yet there is no interest in increasing the age to drive. Firearm ownership by young people teaches responsibility and discipline. It also teaches engineering and precision tooling required to manufacture a fine instrument as a firearm. Besides a no vote on SB697 I suggest firearm training and maintenance be taught in high schools. Education will promote respect for the tool.
Vote NO on SB697. Thank you.