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

Dear Committee Members & Other Elected Officials,

I strongly oppose SB 697 as my family has a strong tradition of hunting and we live in a rural area where law enforcement is simply not available 99.99% of the time where seconds matter and arrival time is often over an hour. This horrible bill would strip away the constitutional rights of law abiding citizens and is punitive to younger adults. I have raised two very responsible children who are on a competitive Trap Shooting team and despite being able to drive a car, and soon vote, enlist in the military, have their own bank account, etc. - this legislation would remove their constitutional right of possessing a rifle or a shotgun and prevent them from independently protecting themselves. The last thing I want is for my daughter to live alone and not be able to own a firearm to protect herself because of this horrible legislation. This legislation would also prevent my son or daughter from going to trap shooting practice and competitions, or exercise the ability to hunt independently. Blocking 18, 19, and 20 year old ADULT CITIZENS from possessing a rifle or shotgun is purely unconstitutional and infringes on the rights of law abiding citizens that have all other constitutional rights available. Making the 2nd Amendment a 2nd class right while all others are given lacks logic and is fundamentally flawed. Oregon has some of the worst and most restrictive gun laws in the nation and the last thing we need is for more restrictions causing harm and putting the lives of law abiding citizens in danger, as the right to possess a firearm for lawful purposes should not, and shall not be infringed or impeded. I ask that you reject SB 697 and stop this unnecessary ban on lawful firearm ownership which at face value contradicts our Second Amendment Rights.

Thank you,

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