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SB697

I strongly oppose SB697. Raising the age to purchase to 21 restricts the second amendment right of our youth. The second amendment has no age requirement! You all trust these youth to vote, join the military and be forced to learn to shoot, get married, sign contracts etc. Taking away their ability to purchase is only punishing them for things they have never done or plan to do. Most 18 to 21 year old's are responsible gun owners like the rest of us. I have kids that this will affect and they don't understand why Oregon lawmakers don't enforce the already on the books laws and why they have to be punished for Oregon's lack of accountability in helping the mentally ill have access to treatment. You are not protecting Oregonians, you are trying to strip our constitutional freedoms and disarm all of Oregon. It is a clear violation of our constitution. Don't punish our youth because you all want to blame a tool for your lack of accountability to the mental health crisis and not supporting our Law Enforcement officers.