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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

SB698

#1. SB 698 is a very complex and confusing bill for the average concealed handgun permit holder in Oregon. governing bodies of certain public entities that own or control public buildings to adopt policies, ordinances, or regulations limiting the affirmative defense for concealed handgun licenses for the crime of possessing a firearm in a public building. Without good clear public notice could entrap a good citizen who carries a firearm with a permit for personal protection who was unaware of the new policy, law or rule.

#2. This bill infringes on the Second Amendment rights of individuals who have legally obtained concealed handgun licenses. This bill restricts an individual's right to self-defense and potentially increases the risk of a public shooting in gun-free zones.

Gun-free zones has the highest rate of mass shootings. Please explain how this measure reduces shootings.

Bottom line - criminals don't obey laws and will seek out places to commit crimes which have the least resistance.