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Senate Bill 947, by proposing to replace "militia" with "National Guard" in Oregon's statutes, represents a profound and unconstitutional overreach that threatens the rights of Oregonians, the sovereignty of the state, and the structural integrity of the U.S. Constitution. The Second Amendment's protection of a "well-regulated militia" is inseparable from the individual right to keep and bear arms, and redefining the militia as a federally controlled entity undermines this foundational principle. Similarly, the Tenth Amendment's reservation of powers to the states is jeopardized by ceding control of the militia to the federal government, eroding Oregon's ability to maintain its own defense forces.