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On Behalf Of:

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To whom it concerns,

This proposed bill is a gross attack on the Constitutional Rights of every member of this state. CHL holders are the most law-abiding citizens of this state and of the nation, in general. I urge every Republican member of the Oregon Legislature to vote this bill down if it comes to the floor, if it can't be stopped before that. The same request goes out to the Democratic members of the State Legislature, though I know historically they have fought to strip our rights from each of us. I know you have heard this before, but there are not any criminals who will follow this bill (that is why they are called criminals), if it should become law, or any like it. Consequently, the only citizens who will be affected are the law-abiding ones who wish to exercise their God-given right to protect themselves, and their loved ones.

Most state, county, and local law enforcement agencies in Oregon are underfunded, understaffed, and in most cases, unable to respond to a life-or-death emergency in time to prevent a criminal intent on taking mine, or a family members life, or inflicting life-threatening injuries to the same. This is easy to document. This is not their fault, it is just a fact of life. So once again, do not take one of our tools that could prevent such a tragedy, if needed.

Thank you for your consideration of my testimony.

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