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The Second Amendment to the United States Constitution protects the right of the people to keep and bear arms. It was ratified on December 15, 1791.

Text of the Second Amendment

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed"

The Oregon Constitution's Article 1, Section 27, states "The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defence of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power".

Here's a more detailed explanation:

Oregon's Constitutional Right to Bear Arms:

Article 1, Section 27 of the Oregon Constitution guarantees the right to bear arms for self-defense and the defense of the state, but it also emphasizes the subordination of the military to civil power.

Similarities to the US Second Amendment:

The Oregon provision mirrors the language of the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which states "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed".

SO, JUST WHAT PART OF THE US or OREGON CONSTITUTION DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND?