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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

SB243

Chair Jama and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to express strong support for Senate Bill 243, the Community Safety Firearms Act, with provisions including a ban on rapid-fire devices and the ability of local governing bodies to ban concealed gun carry into buildings used for official meetings. Rapid fire devices circumvent laws prohibiting fully automatic firearms to create exceptionally lethal weapons. As a provider of mental health and addictions treatment, I've seen the traumatic impacts that gun violence, the threat of gun violence, and fear of mass casualty tragedies have on individuals, families, and communities. Simply stated, the provisions in SB 243 will increase Oregonians' safety and well-being. If 26 states can enact laws banning devices that convert guns into weapons of war, surely Oregon can. Please advance and pass SB 243.

Sincerely,

Barbara Campbell, PhD