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On Behalf Of:  
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To the Committee on Rules, in the Oregon House -

I'm writing today to voice my strong opposition to SB243. This bill limits places that a Concealed Handgun License holder may defend themselves, but places no additional restrictions on criminals. This would skew the balance toward those that would wish to commit crime and harm people, by limiting self defense options for the intended victims.

This, on it's face, is a very bad idea. To support my point, I'd like to quote an Oregon Senate Senator:

"Someone with mean intentions that want to carry or sneak a weapon onto, say, a school or something like that with bad intentions and we've seen mass shootings. This bill would not prohibit that. It would be the act of the individual." - James Manning Jr.

Please do not pass this bill. It's dangerous and will cost lives, as well as 14.7 million dollars according to the Legislative Fiscal Office.

- Michael