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On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	House Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	SB243

Members of the House Committee on Rules,

I am writing in very strong opposition to this bill and the way that it has been mishandled through the process. As a citizen of the United States, and a lifetime resident of Oregon the rights and privileges I am guaranteed include gun ownership. The vast majority of gun owners are very responsible. Safety and good stewardship and training are just part of the deal. To infringe on the long line of responsible gun owners is simply wrong and unconstitutional. Criminals, not law-abiding gun owners, are the mis users of the devices being banned in this bill. Existing law already prohibits machine guns and illegal modifications.

This bill criminalizes lawful ownership. Rather than targeting law abiding citizens enforcement should focus on illegal possession and use by criminals.

Please vote no on this disastrous bill.

Regards, Teresa Ervin