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We the people of Oregon strongly oppose
SB 243

I strongly oppose SB 243, which would criminalize the transport, manufacture, or transfer of so-called "rapid fire activators." This bill represents an overreach that not only infringes on Second Amendment rights but also unfairly targets lawful gun owners and hobbyists.

Devices such as bump stocks or trigger cranks have been the subject of intense scrutiny, yet they are used by thousands of responsible gun owners for recreational shooting and competitive sport. Broad and vague language in this bill could potentially criminalize a wide range of lawful modifications, many of which have legitimate uses that do not pose any danger to public safety.

Furthermore, the bill fails to provide a clear distinction between what qualifies as a "rapid fire activator" and what doesn't. Such ambiguity creates legal uncertainty and opens the door to the arbitrary enforcement of the law.

SB 243 does little to address the root causes of gun violence and instead penalizes law-abiding citizens. I urge lawmakers to reject this bill and focus instead on policies that actually target violent crime and improve mental health resources, rather than restricting responsible firearm ownership and customization.