

Good Afternoon-

I am the owner of a licensed FFL business. We primarily make components for competition shooters, but we do some incidental sales to the public. In my experience, the average background check in the state of Oregon takes about 1/2hr to process through the State Police website, based on backlog. Often it runs closer to an hour. Aside from my objections based on infringement of the rights of law-abiding citizens under the flawed logic that criminals will somehow obey this law after breaking others, I have a much more pragmatic objection. If my business hours end at 5pm, and a transferor and transferee arrive at my shop at 4:40pm, the chances of the background check being complete before the end of the business day are slim. Much more so if we add to the burden of our current system with many more background checks. So, if the check isn't resolved before the business closes for the day, where does the firearm go? By law, the transfer must be completed within 24 hours, or must be re-submitted. If the firearm stays at my shop, I must check it into my books. If the background check fails, we cannot return it to the original owner, as it was not checked into the books as a repair. Therefore, it would require ANOTHER background check to return it to its rightful owner. This is a SERIOUS flaw in the system, and one that would put it at odds with the federal requirements for entry into the acquisition and disposition log (A&D, or "Bound" book) if it was done differently. The amount of paperwork burden added to gun dealers is completely out of proportion to the assumed benefit of the proposed law.

Thank you for your consideration of my input,

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