

Mr. Rhoades:

As a registered, non-aligned voter I am writing to voice my objection to SB 941. This proposed legislation is of a piece with previous attempts to impose unworkable and unnecessary background checks that the vast majority of Oregonians have rejected in the past. The legislators who have perennially proposed this nonsense have always failed to recognize one salient fact. Under our system of government, it is the people who are sovereign, not the legislators. They are merely the people's spokesmen. And the people of Oregon have long rejected any interference with their 2nd amendment rights. This bill should never reach the senate floor for a vote. Oregon is now the poster child for what a failed state looks like. The legislature should be ashamed of itself for spending time on issues such as this when far more important problems confront us.

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