

Honorable Judiciary Committee Counsel Rhoades,

Please do everything in your power to stop Senate Bill (SB) 941. This bill only serves to complicate and punish the proud law abiding citizens of your State. Further, this bill will lead to unnecessary expense if it is required to be disputed in escalating levels of government.

Beyond my personal concerns that S.B. 941 is unproductive towards the welfare of Oregon, I believe that it contradicts principles found in our Nation's Constitution and Bill of Rights. Specifically, I find that:

Article VI, Section 2 states that "The Citizens of each State shall be entitled to all Privileges and Immunities of Citizens in the several States"

If I am immune from suspicion of guilt in one state then I must be in another. This mandatory background check is a search on suspicion that I am not allowed to make a firearm purchase in Oregon. In another state I would be immune from this illegal suspicion.

*Why is this bill illegal?* S.B. 941 intrudes on my personal expectations of privacy. For example, a private gun sale from neighbor to neighbor. I expect that my sale or purchase is my business and that of my neighbor. This is a single party purchase not to involve a third party. This is not necessarily the business of any other. There are already laws regarding the sale of firearms to certain offenders. I am already aware and do not expect or require the state to search me or my papers. This contradicts the basic structures of the

*Fourth Amendment.*

S.B. 941 in effect makes me less secure in my personal rights to privacy and goes against "*Silverman v. United States.*"

In order for the state to gain an exception to this long held privacy law, the state would need to furnish substantial proofs that the society's need for S.B. 941 is great. Our need for this S.B. 941 is not great. I encourage those concerned with this perceived need to investigate the open letter from Yamhill County's Sheriff among other outspoken community leaders and experts.

If subject matter experts in crime prevention deem this law unnecessary why are we rushing it forward?

As a citizen, and also a veteran of your state's Militia, I want to convey to you that this bill does not protect our citizens, it hinders and encumbers their free and rightful actions.

Very Respectfully,

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