

I urge you to not pass HR 941 as written due to unintended impacts on ordinary law abiding people. An example of my concern as it applies to my life is that I store many of my firearms at a rural location where a close friend whom I have known well since 2000 lives. I know she isn't a criminal, I've seen her pass a background check for her own firearms and is a person of good character. I leave my weapons there because that is where I most often get to use them. She is allowed to use them if she needs to, seeing as she lives in a rural area and occasionally its necessary to put down an animal. We can't both "own" or "share" the gun on under this scheme, which makes it hard to judge who really owns the rifle in this situation. If I am moving houses, towns or apartments, I like to leave my firearms with a friend while I am conducting this so that movers, landlords and others may not have access to them. Also, if I personally sell a firearm to another person either that person is VERY well known to me or carries a concealed weapons permit, making sure they are indeed a legal person. It is already illegal for me to sell to a felon or other restricted person in this state, a duty I take very seriously. I feel that this bill equates to gun registration and gun taxation, both of which are against our state and federal constitution.

Please give us a way to avoid additional taxation and yet be able to verify the legal status of a person should we need to.

Thanks for considering my thoughts on this bill,

Kelly Schoun, resident in Yamhill and Lane counties.