



## SECOND AMENDMENT PRESERVATION ORDINANCE

To preserve the right of the People of, on, and in Coos County to:

1. Keep and bear arms as originally understood; in self-defense and preservation, and in defense of one's community and country.
2. Freely manufacture, transfer, sell, and buy firearms, firearm accessories and ammunition, which are designed primarily for the same purposes.

**The Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance Defunds SB941 in Coos County**

### Does Senate Bill 941 close a loophole allowing criminals to obtain a gun?

**Bottom Line:** No. SB 941 does not prevent a criminal from obtaining a firearm. Criminals can still obtain firearms, either by stealing a firearm from a law-abiding citizen who legally owns the firearm or through illegally obtaining a firearm on the black market. Bad people will find ways to do bad things and will use whatever devices they have at their disposal to commit crimes, no matter what the law says. Criminals have already disregarded the law; they will not submit themselves to a background check that they know they will not pass.

What SB 941 does do is force responsible, law-abiding Oregonians, including those who want to trade or transfer guns for hunting or recreational shooting, to jump through additional hoops and pay additional fees to participate in legal, responsible activities.

### Does Oregon's law enforcement community support Senate Bill 941?

**Bottom Line:** Coos County's Sheriff, Craig Zanni, and at least 12 other sheriffs around the state, have deemed SB 941, at best, a deeply flawed law, and at worst, an unenforceable law that would further stretch resources in financially-strapped counties and communities. Two of these sheriffs have testified that they can't enforce the law and therefore will not use their department resources to attempt to enforce the law. There is simply no way for law enforcement officers to track private firearm sales or transfers if they are conducted behind closed doors or out of plain sight.

### Does Senate Bill 941 effectively address mental health?

**Bottom Line:** No, SB 941 provides no funding, resources, or tools for Oregonians dealing with mental health crises. Minority Report 2, submitted by House Republicans, secured \$44 million in funding for mental health services. This proposal represented a significant investment of taxpayer dollars and took anticipatory action to prevent tragedies involving firearms, including suicides, homicides, domestic violence, and even accidents. House Democrats voted down the Minority Report along party lines.

### **Ballot Title:**

**Caption:** United States Constitution Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance

**Question:** Shall Coos County voters adopt the Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance?

**Statement:** A yes vote adopts and makes part of the Coos County Code the Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance.

### **If approved the ordinance requires:**

Any law or regulation in violation of the US or Oregon Constitution pertaining to the right to bear arms to be deemed as unconstitutional and void;

Prohibits the use of Coos County funds, facilities and employees to enforce or punish any law, rule or order that infringes upon the right to bear arms such as (not exclusive):

- Registration requirements for lawfully owned firearms
- Prohibitions as to "assault" type firearms
- Restrictions pertaining magazine capacity, clip capacity or types of ammunition
- Background check requirements beyond those required in December 2012
- Restrictions prohibiting possession, carry or transport of lawfully possessed firearms and ammunition

Requires Sheriff to determine whether any law or regulation pertaining to the right to bear arms violates the US or Oregon Constitution

Exempts current criminal laws pertaining to firearms from the ordinance

Provides financial penalties for violations of the ordinance

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**VOTE YES TO MEASURE 6-151**