Among SBs 868, 797, and 764, a common theme is evident. The bills wholly condemn or marginalize citizens who may or may not have done something wrong in their lifetimes. They would create a culture of mistrust and isolation, reminiscent of Cold War East Germans under Stasi control. Who would do this with good intentions? Nobody. So the bills are introduced with intended bad consequences to citizen welfare; and poor outcomes should never be confused as unintended consequences.

SB 764 would completely rewrite Oregon code while embracing every past failure. Any association with a person who has ever been suspected of wrongdoing would subject you to heavy penalties and loss of rights.

SB 797 transfers the rights of the citizen to the state, with no requirement for restoration. SB 868 officially labels people as "extreme risk" who may have done nothing wrong. Previous attempted purchase of a cooking knife or accusation of bad horse grooming subjects anyone to serious consequences.

Purge these bills from our legislature. They shame our state. Most people have no idea they yet exist. Protect them too.

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