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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure: SB348

Dear Members of the Committee,

I write to indicate that I oppose SB348. It is a direct violation against the second amendment. The amendment was written so that people of this great nation and state could protect ourselves against governmental tyranny. Is that what you are trying to take away, because the government is still going to have high capacity magazines and are not going to have to go through the process to obtain a firearm. Additionally the thought that this is going to prevent gun violence is ridiculous. The law abiding citizens that currently purchase firearms are not the ones committing the violence. The criminals don't care what laws we pass and it won't keep them from still performing those same acts. It may actually incentivize them as less law abiding citizens will be equipped to protect themselves and their family.

I am an avid hunter and it has been a tradition in my family for generations. While I enjoy the sport of it, I also rely on it for table fare for my family. We treat hunting season as family reunions. I know you that are in support say that this is not impacting hunting seasons. Tell that to my daughter that spent three months studying for her hunters education. She then had to pass a written test and a field day. Having done so successfully she is looking forward to her first hunting season. If this passes one of you should have to tell her that she won't be able to participate in our family tradition because we cannot procure a bolt action rifle due to the fact that yet again legislation is being voted on that has no system in place to accommodate those of us that obey the law. For those that say she could just use one of mine then you haven't seen my daughter. She is petite and the weight of the rifle along with the recoil is not conducive. I have waited my entire life to be able to introduce my children to the outdoors in this fashion, but now you are telling me I have to wait or cannot.

This is a free country still. This bill is designed to circumvent the courts, make law abiding citizens criminals by back dating a law and take the power away from the very people that voted you all in.

We voted you in and we will not forget.