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M114 was unconstitutional. The courts did the right thing & stalled it. SB 348 is the same. It's an attempt to end-run the courts & ram it through the OR legislature anyway. SB 348 is punishment for dissent.

SB 348 was the result of three bills initially presented with minimal language in them. We all knew that they were prime candidates to gut-and-stuff. I pointed that out in my testimony for each of the other three. And that's what happened.

What I find disappointing is that the new language put into those three bills now known as SB 348 is 68 pages long. Meaning that the language of SB 348 was already written and ready to go. Like demonic possession, it just needed a vessel.

Maybe this is how the sausage is made. But it's manipulative and deceitful to Oregonians.

One thing SB 348 appears to do is leave the determining of psychological fitness in the hands of an "agent" and does not require, as it should, adjudication in a court of law. It ignores due process. That leaves a huge door open for abuse.

SB 348 is not about protecting our rights. It's about eroding them. Its proponents and sponsors are trying to circumvent rule-of-law and due process.

So yes, I oppose this bill.