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This is a rewrite of Measure 114 that is currently being challenged in court. This measure clearly seeks to maneuver around the court system. This bill as written will backdate the magazine limit to 12/8/23 and make law abiding citizens criminals. Is this what Oregon is really trying to accomplish? I was employed by the State of Oregon for 30 years and during Governor Brown's term we were sent emails every month telling us about the inequities that minorities faced in Oregon and that we should all do our part to make Oregon better. This bill is racist by those standards. It targets the people who are already subjects of inequities due to their race and/or gender. The fees in this measure assure poor minorities cannot afford to purchase a permit to defend themselves. I am a single woman who lives in a rural area. Crime is increasing and police response are overwhelmed. After my father passed someone broke into our shop and because I wasn't sure what was taken because it was my dad's, the sheriff would not even give me a case number. Shortly after that someone tried to pry the screen off a bedroom in the middle of the night and the sheriff was not interested. About the same time someone came flying into my driveway after parking in a manner that would hide them from the hwy and proceeded to run toward my front door. I went out to see what he was doing and he gave me a story about looking for honey. All the while my dog was about to tear down the window. I have no doubt he had home invasion in mind and was surprised to see anyone home. I now have a gun by my front door because from past experience I cannot count on the sheriff to get here and help me. This measure is trying to take my Second Amendment Rights that give me peace of mind knowing in the above-described situations I will be able to defend myself. I have taken a firearm safety course and I believe as do every other gun owner I know that safety comes first.

How did the nazis manage to overwhelm a huge Jewish population? They convinced them to give up their guns and the nazis would protect them. If you know your history, you know how that worked out for the Jewish people. Measure 114 and SB 348 are saying the same thing, take the guns away because it will be safer for everyone and the defunded police will try to protect you if they have enough manpower to get to you. Why don't you focus on writing a bill that will make hurting or murdering others a crime. I bet that will keep the public just as safe as SB348 will. We all know that criminals are law abiding citizens and gun bans in Chicago have worked so well that Chicago has the highest murder rate in the country.

Keeping guns out of the hands of a person in a mental crisis because they might kill themselves is ridiculous. There are many different ways for a person to kill themselves besides with a gun. They jump off bridges, they drown themselves, they take pills,

they stab themselves, they drive their cars into things to name a few, if a person is hell bent on killing themselves then taking a gun from them is not going to stop that.

Measure 114 and SB348 target law abiding citizens. The Second Amendment does not say you have the right to bear arms if you are rich enough to afford the permits. It simply says every citizen has the right to bear arms. In reading testimony you will find that even the chief petitioner for measure 114 is against this bill.