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Unfortunately, Oregon has devolved into tyrannical rule. The party in power is taking advantage of it's power and the weakness of the other party. We cannot rely on the moral compass of these people to care about "we the people". They have none as demonstrated by their behavior.

The problem is two-fold. SB 348 proposes mostly a regurgitation of Measure 114, which is unconstitutional in both the state of Oregon and the United States. The party in power knows that Measure 114 is unconstitutional and will eventually be struck down. So to hedge their bet they create legislation which parallels the measure. I don't need to go into the details or problems of the proposed legislation. Just take a look at Measure 114.

Equally disturbing is the fact that they dropped this 64 page amended bill on a Friday night with a hearing set for Monday, giving no time for "we the people" to actually study the bill and make appropriate comment. Oh, and let's not forget the constant abuse of the "Emergency Clause" which is used to not allow the use of the referendum process by "we the people." Of course, if they had any regard for "we the people" they would not do this. Obtaining power by any means necessary is all they care about.

The constant bombardment against our rights is daunting. I moved here to enjoy my last years but instead I contend with the ongoing assaults every legislative session. Normal people would be ashamed of themselves for their scurrilous, underhanded tactics. But I don't believe they are.

Do the right thing and vote NO to this hateful attack against those who voted against Measure 114, which included many Democrats. It is a vindictive effort to bypass a court decision.