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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary  
Measure: SB348

I oppose SB 348 based on Amendment #1. This amendment takes a reasonable proposal – to study ways to address unlawful possession of firearms - and hijacks it with a reintroduction of Measure 114.

1. Measure 114 was passed by a slim majority of Oregon voters. It is now in the courts being reviewed to determine if it is an unconstitutional infringement of 2nd Amendment rights. This bill seems to be an attempt to circumvent the judicial process.
2. This bill is declared to be an emergency. This condition would put the law into effect immediately without the right of citizens to mount a referendum.
3. It appears to me if any person had legally purchased magazines with a capacity of over 10 rounds while Measure 114 was blocked from implementation by a restraining order they would now be illegal. The legislature should not be able to retroactively make law-abiding citizens into criminals.
4. If a gun was purchased legally while the restraining order was in place – would this law also make those purchases an illegal act?
5. The amendment was introduced last minute before the hearing in what appears to be attempt to impede public input. I love our representative form of government and despise any attempts to circumvent the ability of the public to participate.

I urge all to vote against Amendment #1.