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Having worked in criminal justice for two decades, having trained officers in the tactical application of firearms and the use of force policies, in Washington state, I can tell you with absolute certainty that this bill SB348, will do NOTHING to curb violent crime or reduce homicides. Nothing in this bill addresses the criminal, a gun law that does work... anything with severe punishment for using a firearm in the commission of a crime. If criminals know it's 15 to 25 years added on a sentence for using a firearm, word will spread fast into the criminal community. The word you are putting on the street now to these same criminals? Do what you want, we won't prosecute you, there is no danger from armed citizens or police. This encourages thugs and vermin while endangering everyone else.