SB 348 is a backdoor bill that violates the voice of the people and the judicial process by circumventing the proper legal steps to making a bill law. Measure 114 was poorly written, unconstitutional, and will be locked up in legal proceedings for the near future. As it should be.

SB 348 is a slap in the face to Oregonians who believe unconstitutional measures should go through due process within the judicial branch. Instead of recognizing that the 114 gun grab will likely be unsuccessful and ruled unconstitutional, this ludicrous amendment full of garbage data has been hastily, unintelligibly slapped together. Apparently legislators are hell bent on ripping apart the Oregon constitution while also violating our national constitution. Both documents explicitly and unequivocally give us ALL the right to bear arms.

This amendment will create even more restrictions for minorities in Oregon. It will increase fees and wait times far beyond the already ridiculous and unobtainable metrics set by 114. Domestic abuse survivors (and those currently suffering abuse) will not be able to properly obtain a firearm and protect themselves and their families due to wait times and cost prohibitions.

Crime is out of control in Portland, Oregon. There is no relief in sight, and you would further endanger minorities who live predominantly in high crime neighborhoods.

Setting the age limit of who can purchase firearms to 20 is arbitrary and based on conjecture. Instead of focusing on the severe mental health crisis in Oregon, legislators would rather focus on restricting the rights of legal adults who of course can still vote and go to prison as adults. This is like putting a bandaid on someone bleeding out.

Frankly at this point we must all just resist. No you can't have our guns. Our right to defend ourselves is endowed within us and immutable and no matter how much the constitution is destroyed these rights remain inborn. Unconstitutional laws will be treated as exactly what they are and ignored, ridiculed and dismissed. We will not ask you for permission to exercise our rights as American citizens.

You may be in your high tower but We Are The People and we hold all the power.

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