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As a registered Democrat, I am very disappointed in this bill, just as I was measure 114. I believe in the rights granted to every American in the US Constitution. As our Elected officials, it is your sworn duty to uphold that document, regardless of personal bias. I may agree on raising the purchasing age of all (except hunting rifles- No, I am not a hunter, I never will be, however, I can respect one who is providing for their family) firearms to 21(handguns are already there) to help prevent children getting ahold of them.

I do not agree in banning and/or criminalizing ownership of magazines, regardless of their capacity (if one is getting a 100 rd magazine, that's on them. They will soon find that it is very heavy and cumbersome and VERY impractical)

We are starting to see more and more crimes in the area I live, and they aren't being committed with firearms, they are being committed with knifes and sharp objects. Against people who are otherwise unarmed or unable to defend themselves. These laws only will hurt those who follow them, as criminals do not care, and will do what they choose.(otherwise this wouldn't even be an issue)

It's not as easy as everyone thinks to buy a firearm, one of my best friends (also a Democrat, and was anti-gun until last year) has been waiting over a year for his handgun (he has no criminal record or anything, just has been stuck in the process and keeps getting the run around from state agencies when he inquires about it)

Where does this stop? Measure 114 was shown to be unconstitutional, so now we try passing a bill for another unconstitutional law? I support all rights granted to all people, regardless of my personal bias and personal beliefs. (It is one's right to say something horrible, yet I don't have to listen to listen, if I don't respect them, their personal opinion means nothing) As our elected officials, it is moreso your duty to put aside your personal beliefs when it comes to protecting the US Constitution and the rights granted within. I am beginning to grow disillusioned with the Democratic party since we preach rights to all and decry about the stupidity of our Republican counterparts, it's our duty to put differences aside and fight for all rights of all others, even ones we don't agree with. If you swore an oath to uphold our Constitution, then you are moreso responsible for setting aside personal beliefs to defend and uphold those rights.

I will close this by saying that we must pay for a liscense to drive because it is a "PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT." Now we are being asked to pay for a permit that allow

us to have access to a right that is granted by the very law of the land? Where does it stop if even our own Constitutional rights are not safe?