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On Behalf Of:  
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To the Honorable Members of the Oregon House Committee on Judiciary, I write to oppose House Bill (HB) 3075, a measure I view as an overreach of government power and an attack on Oregonians' constitutional rights. While intended to reduce gun violence, this bill imposes burdensome restrictions and fees that punish law-abiding citizens without addressing crime's root causes. I urge you to reject it. HB 3075 amends Ballot Measure 114 (2022), currently under legal challenge. It extends permit wait times from 30 to 60 days, raises fees from \$65 to \$150 (plus \$110 renewals), bans magazines over 10 rounds (except for military/law enforcement), and limits legal challenges to Marion County Circuit Court. These changes erode rights and accountability. The bill violates the Second Amendment. The right to bear arms is not a privilege to be delayed or taxed away. A 60-day wait denies timely self-defense—critical for those in danger, like domestic violence victims or rural residents. Background checks, if funded, work faster; this delay is unjustified. The fee hikes—\$150 to apply, \$110 to renew—burden the poor, making rights a luxury. This contradicts equality under the law, penalizing those needing protection most. The magazine ban is ineffective. Criminals ignore laws, sourcing illegal items, while law-abiding citizens—hunters, shooters, homeowners—lose defensive capacity. Evidence shows little impact on violence from such bans; it's punitive, not practical. Requiring lawsuits in Marion County shields the bill from fair scrutiny, suggesting doubt in its legality. A sound law wouldn't need this protection, undermining trust. Supporters cite Measure 114's passage (50.7%), but its slim margin and legal woes show no mandate. HB 3075 ignores half the state, pushing a divisive agenda. Gun violence stems from poverty, mental health, and illegal arms—not permit holders or legal magazines. Fees, waits, and bans miss the target, hitting the compliant instead. Consider the mother unable to pay \$150 for safety, or the farmer waiting 60 days as threats mount. These are real costs. HB 3075 trades liberty for false security. It burdens the law-abiding, erodes rights, and skirts accountability. Reject it for solutions that respect freedom and tackle crime's causes.