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Criminal behavior must be addressed by a balance of legislation and enforcement. Restricting lawful citizen's access to firearms will not affect criminal behavior. Enforcement is not getting enough resources to address criminal behavior yet legislators continue to produce additional legislation. Ultimately this burden is carried by law abiding citizens who are facing more and more restrictions even though these restrictions are not impacting criminal activity. The court is not responsible for creating balanced legislation, otherwise they would likely address these errors. The purpose of the court is to decide on the merits of existing legislation and if poorly written, must protect the people by denying the passage of said bad legislation.

Oregon has far fewer checks and balances for submitting poorly written legislation. If more effort was made early on to address constitutional issues prior to creating legislation, less time would be wasted by our overworked judicial team.