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Good morning, I'm writing to submit my opposed view to HB 3075. Oregon has been on a path punishing legal gun owners who have gone through all the steps to legally own and possess firearms. This bill only punishes people who have gone through the proper channels. with the rise in fees and time this bill will hurt people of every creed. This bill is showing that Oregon legislators only care about the wealthy. What about low-income earners who can't afford the fees? Or men/women who are trying to protect themselves in volatile situations? You as legislators realize that a restraining order is only a piece of paper, right?

This nation has over 20,000-gun laws on a Federal, State and local level. What have they done if they are not always being used. Banning STANDARD capacity magazines are also not going to help in the cause of public safety. Again, standard as they ARE in common use in this nation. Also, this bill is telling the people that the government is above them by allowing only law enforcement to possess them. You are saying we are beneath them and you as our government representatives.

It's frustrating that when high profile crimes that happen with a firearm happen it's automatically the fault of the firearm that was used, never the person with evil intentions behind it. Let me share a story that recently happened in Marion County. This is MCSO's social media release " Traffic Stop Results in BMW Driver Taken into Custody

On Wednesday this week, a silver BMW cut a corner at 72mph and took a patrol vehicle head-on Eastbound along State St. A traffic stop was attempted, but the driver sped off at speeds over 100mph. Tire tracks in the rain suggested the vehicle continued South on Cascade Hwy. Drivers started calling in a BMW that was overtaking all other traffic at high speeds in no passing zones. Deputies stationed in Sublimity were able to stop the vehicle as it entered the city and recognized it from numerous recent driving complaints.

The suspect, later identified as Nathan Hernandez, was taken into custody and transported to the Marion County Jail. Hernandez was found to be driving while suspended, carrying a concealed loaded handgun without a CHL, and admitted to his reckless driving. He is being charged with Eluding, Reckless Driving, driving while Suspended, speeding 100+, Passing in a No Passing Lane, Illegal Display of Plates, Fail to drive within the Lane. Reminder to be aware of other drivers and do not drive recklessly. If you encounter a vehicle driving dangerously, call your local law enforcement to report it." This driver was found to be illegally possessing a firearm, but he was not charged with this. WHY? This is not a good look if you are trying to pass laws that aren't being already enforced by our law enforcement or District

Attorneys. This is frustrating as it is infuriating. I myself have had to draw my own firearm on a home intruder and it took the Sheriff's office 29 min to respond as they had most of their deputies were on the other side of the county and no local municipal law Enforcement was on duty.

Making this law only to be challenged in Marion County is OBSURD!!!!!!!!!! This law affects all residents of The State of Oregon. Not only residents of Marion County. Unlike the Oregon state government who have billions of taxpayer dollars (\$31.874 billion estimated budget) We as the little people will have the burden. This law should be able to be challenged in all 36 of Oregon's counties. Again, you are showing the State government should be superior to the people that you serve.

As a citizen who was born and grew up in this beautiful state, I implore this bill along with measure 114 to be scrapped as it will not help save lives. We would love to see the data of gun crimes in this state if you took out the city of Portland and Salem alone. Everyone deserves a seat at the table, and I hope our voices will be heard instead of ignored.