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I strongly oppose the passing of this bill on the grounds that it would violate the 2nd Amendment of the United States Constitution, Sections 21 and 27 of Article 1 of the Oregon State Constitution, as well as effectively implementing a poll tax, the latter of which was ruled unconstitutional in Harper v. Virginia Board of Elections (1966).

Lawful firearms owners should not be punished while the lawless are allowed to act with bolstered impunity. Measure 114 is already a gross overstep of constitutional boundaries, and HB3075 will only make things worse for law-abiding citizens across the entire state. There is simply no case to be made for the idea that public safety will improve by extending permit times and limiting standard capacity magazines.

The truth is that those who wish to do harm don't care about restrictions in the first place, and I'm sure they are thrilled to know the state of Oregon is planning to further neuter their potential victims. Measure 114 and HB3075 are bold steps toward authoritarian rule and suppression of the people, coming at a time when we should all be very concerned about the ramifications of government overreach.