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Yet another unscrupulous attack on our rights with a last-minute bait and switch of what was originally a bill about "studying" effects. But we're far past that now, aren't we?

If we needed another reminder that Democrats are the party of Orwell's Double Think, this is it. To think that a 16-year-old should be able to vote in elections but a 20-year-old is incapable of handling a firearm is evidence that you have left all sense behind and are using the legislative super majority to do as much damage to our rights as possible. Not only is there no evidence that this would provide any sort of benefit at all, but this has already been deemed unconstitutional in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit under *Reese v. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives*.

Additionally, your attempt to expand our gun-free zones is also already being challenged in New York where they pulled the same stunt and it has repeatedly been ruled against. But this backwards thinking is not only unconstitutional and ineffective at reducing so-called "gun crime", but it will have the exact opposite effect since 94% of mass shootings OCCUR IN GUN FREE ZONES!

<https://crimeresearch.org/2018/06/more-misleading-information-from-bloombergs-everytown-for-gun-safety-on-guns-analysis-of-recent-mass-shootings/>

Criminals - by definition - don't follow the law. This will not stop them. This only makes for fewer people available to respond when a criminal decides they're going to murder a bunch of people.

This is yet another power-grab that will be backed by millions of dollars in legal fees as we return to the courts yet again to fight a law that shouldn't have been written in the first place.

Every last one of you snakes has violated your oaths and done so in the most back-handed and duplicitous way possible. But the worst part is that we know that you DO NOT REPRESENT US because when our testimony in opposition to your garbage laws outnumbers the support dramatically, you still carry on and do whatever it is you please. Even when we VOTE SOMETHING DOWN completely, you BRING IT BACK!

I am absolutely disgusted at every last one of you power-hungry little despots and I can't wait for the day that we vote you out and replace you with actual

REPRESENTATIVES that care about the Oregon and U.S. Constitutions and the WILL OF THE PEOPLE. We know that you sure as hell don't!