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Approximately 10 years ago the people of Oregon voted 2 to 1 to ban the issuance of driver licenses to illegal aliens. This was a basis of our decision for me to return to Oregon along with the woman who keeps me in line. Yes, we thought, the North part of the State is idiotic but the citizens can use the referendum to keep the psychosis in check. We arrived 9 years ago. Shortly thereafter the Democrats (an oxymoron if there ever was one) discovered the misuse of the emergency attachment to legislation to negate any real chance of the citizenry regaining control. Now we see ever escalating tyranny and a headlong, unimpeded rush into a bastardized proto-Communism. After all, more centralization equals more control and more power.

In particular, SB 1095, is a move to further undermine the idea of private property. I see it as a 4 step process for someone like me.

Step 1. We are going to fine you for having a vacant house for 180 days-a penalty that will especially effect seniors who have managed to acquire a second residence in, say Arizona, where they escape the Northwest winters.

Step 2. We are mandating that you use that 6 months you are gone to house a homeless person or persons...and NO you can't evict.

Step 3. You only have the 2 of you living in your home, yet you have a 4 bedroom home with rooms that sit vacant in our opinion. We can put some of the illegal trespassers that we are encouraging to come here (even more so than California) or some homeless drug users we attracted. We will give you a stipend but you must house them because of the state's housing shortage.

Step 4. One of the homeless that is now living in your house has a felony conviction on his record and it has come to light that you have firearms. You are, therefore, keeping firearms in a dwelling where a former felon lives...that's a felony. Since you used the home to commit a felony the state can now confiscate it. We will house you in a state correctional institution so you won't be homeless.

Oh, I see, its a necessary step to correct a self-inflicted problem in Oregon. That's the reason-necessity. Again, Oregon's legislature is turning the observation of the great English statesmen, William Pitt the Younger, into axiom: "Necessity is the plea for every infringement of human freedom. It is the argument of tyrants; it is the creed of slaves"