The proposed legislation SB 978 and the amendments are a perfect example of pure democracy in action. As our founding fathers new in crafting the constitution they way they did, they knew a pure democracy would, in fact, deteriorate into a tyranny of the majority. So in their wisdom, they created a system of government known as a "representative republic" with a system of checks and balances. the bicameral legislative body was designed to create legislative gridlock to ensure maximum governmental limits by making it difficult to pass laws. Especially laws designed to eliminate or restrict freedom and liberty.

With the advent of the the Democratic super majority, and a Democratic governor, the tyranny of the majority has never been more clear. The Democratic controlled House and Senate have rammed manny unconstitutional freedom limiting laws this session, many with "emergency" clauses denying the rights of the people to vote on these overbearing and burdensome laws.

SB 978 and its amendments is the egregious of these draconian laws designed to subjugate Oregonians. With an almost immeasurable gun crime and gun death rate in this state, this proposed law is intended to do one thing and one thing only, and that is to make 1 million law abiding citizens into criminals, and take away a constitutionally guaranteed right, without due process.

I say shame on you all for lying when you took your oath of office. This bill is a sham and all who support it are acting "unAmerican". I urge you the committee to put a stake through the heart of this evil legislation while in committee. Show Oregonians that you stand for freedom and liberty, not tyranny. Show Oregonians you stand for all of the citizens of this great state and not for out of state billionaires who seek to own you and bend you to their will. Fight for us as I fought for you and your freedom as I served 10 years in our nations military.

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