

I live alone. My home is equipped with a monitored alarm system. I will be 69yo next month. I have already suffered one heart attack. To myself and all responsible firearms owners, this bill, along with several other boutique democratic national agenda supporting legislation is a needless, meaningless, burdensome waste of taxpayers money and time that could be better spent by our legislators dealing with real issues, so innumerable it would be impossible to list them here, and is in fact dangerous, as it would render useless by lack of quick to hand protection in an emergent crisis, the tools of defense. These wanton attacks on the 2ND Amendment Rights and Oregon's Solid Citizenry by what appears to be a body politic more interested in impressing democratic national party players with hamfisted empty of any but virtue signal as "content" attacks on our Civil Liberties, than serving the interests and addressing the challenges of those who put you in these positions of great power, should by rights and proper consideration of the input and testimony of folks who actually KNOW WHAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT, and have a local and state interest in the outcome, rather than big money out of state player supported orgs. purporting to speak for some "majority" regarding issues they truly know little about, be dust binned in the round file of bad ideas and worse legislation. Myself?, I will not hold my breath waiting for that remote eventuality to occur. While Portland staggers under nightly attacks by groups of violent "protesters" with nebulous claims of some inequities that seem to have pretty much become excuse rather than cause for such violent action, and "our" body politic in Salem, turn blind eye and deaf ear to that nightly outrage, those quiet Tax Paying Citizens, Volunteers, Community Supporters, who value polite society and common sense, who actually carry the burden of character and sanity on their shoulders, pretty much continue as they are and pray that somehow Salem's Lot will wake from their collective insanity. Doubtful, but of course, there is always "hope".

Thank you for your..

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Disappointed watcher of the "as Rome burns" collective insanity