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This last-minute, last-ditch effort to sneak past the judicial branches of government is also deceptive to the people of Oregon, furthering an already deteriorated relationship between Oregon legislators and the electorate, while also attempting to further disenfranchise the voters of this great state. Attempting to codify the unconstitutional elements of Measure 114 is a clear admission by the supporters of the measure that they know it is legally flawed in every way.

These efforts at "gun control" do nothing to reduce or eliminate gun violence in this state. As usual, the lawmakers behind these efforts focus their attention on taking away the rights of lawful residents, while doing absolutely NOTHING to address attempting to remove ILLEGAL guns from the streets and the hands of violent criminals. If the lawmakers truly wanted to address gun violence and reduce the amount of illegal guns in the hands of criminals in this state, they would INCREASE penalties for crimes committed with a gun. Create a structure that truly punishes CRIMINALS who use a gun to commit ANY crime, instituting mandatory minimum sentences and a tiered system of penalties for repeat offenders.

Preventing law abiding citizens from exercising their Second Amendment Rights does nothing to get bad guns off the streets out of the hands of the criminal element that has been allowed to flourish in this state thanks to nonexistent drug laws and reduced penalties for violent criminals.

Enough is enough. Stop allowing the criminals to take over Oregon - including the criminal element in our state legislature bent on leaving honest citizens out to dry in a state with an exponentially growing criminal population.

Ans stop trying to legislate around the checks and balances of our great, three-branch government system while alienating the citizenry.