

RE: SB 348

Unfortunately it comes as no surprise to hear that an amendment has come in at the last minute for SB 348. It should be abundantly apparent why trust in our government is so low.

SB 348 will do nothing to prevent criminals from using firearms for ill intentions, it will only serve to punish and suppress the law abiding citizen.

- 1) Increasing the already proposed fee of a "permit to purchase" will only make it financially harder for the citizens of Oregon to purchase a firearm. This will unfairly impact our lower income demographics including our seniors, women and people of color.

According to the publication "Overlooked & Undercounted 2021" found on the Oregon.gov website,

*"..more than one out of four households (26%) lack sufficient income to meet the minimum cost of living in Oregon."*

*"Single mothers of color are particularly at risk of lacking adequate resources when children are young with 83% experiencing income inadequacy."*

Again, this bill will only make it harder for Oregonians to exercise the right of self protection by adding yet more of a financial burden.

- 2) This bill will stretch our law enforcement staff even thinner . Law enforcement in Oregon is already at levels that inadequately protect our citizens. If passed, this bill will only make that problem worse. We need our police going after true criminals instead of having our state government making new criminals out of the good and law abiding citizens of Oregon.
- 3) If passed this bill would immediately make a criminal out of someone who LEGALLY purchased a magazine with a capacity to hold over 10 rounds after December 12, 2022. This is absolutely ridiculous! Thanks to ballot measure 114, gun sales and magazine sales have been at very high levels. Will you expect our law enforcement to try to find every magazine purchased in that time frame? (I am sure there are 10's of thousands)

SB 348 will only hurt the law abiding citizens of Oregon!!

Please vote NO on SB 348.

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