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Measure: SB348

Please kill SB 348 immediately in its entirety and in all of its component parts. SB 348 is nothing but a deceptive ploy by Democrats to circumvent lawsuits against Measure 114 which they now know is unconstitutional. In a stealth move, opponents of the right to bear arms at 7 p.m. on Friday March 24th dropped a 64-page amendment into SB 348. This is a mockery of the legislative process and is obviously intended to limit public input on the new form of SB 348 in order to sneak through unpopular legislation.

Given that nefarious introduction, no one is surprised that SB 348 is worse even than Measure 114 which it is intended to replace.

SB 348 increases the 'permit-to-purchase' fee from \$65 to \$150, which makes buying a gun more difficult for people who live in poor areas where law enforcement response time is often slower.

SB 348 also backdates the prohibition against gun magazines holding more than 10 rounds to Dec. 12, 2022. This would criminalize the buyers of such magazines despite it being legal at the time due to Measure 114 being tied up in court.

SB 348 increases the minimum age to buy a gun to 21.

SB 348 also requires a 72-hour waiting period between the purchase time and the delivery to the buyer. The majority of gun purchases are by law-abiding citizens for recreation, hunting or self-defense. This is at best a form of harassment and at worst a move to prevent self-defense and make law-abiding citizens more vulnerable to criminal predators.

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