Submitter: Kit Stavrum

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure: SB348

Seriously, the democrats in this state are broken, what part of democracy do you think it falls under when you drop a 64-page amendment into SB 348 at 7pm on a Friday night.

Measure 114 is a train wreck and will be overturned at the federal and state court levels and you know that, is that why you try and circumvent the law by padding a new bill.

Well, we are on to you.

The right of the people to keep and bear arms, enshrined in the Constitution's Second Amendment, is centered not on hunting or sport shooting but on the natural right of self-defense. It gives "teeth" to the promises of liberty, ensuring that attempts to reduce our natural rights to mere dead letters may be met with meaningful resistance.

Just like the Constitution protects the broad concept of "speech" instead of particular modes of speech, it protects "arms" as a general concept of weaponry. The idea was not to protect a specific type of weapon, like a musket, any more than the idea of the First Amendment was to protect a specific mode of speech, like a quill pen or printing press. That is in large part because the Framers of our Constitution and the people who ratified it knew that while technology and circumstances would undoubtedly change in unanticipated ways, these broader concepts of self defense and free speech would remain vital to a free society.

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