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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary
Measure: SB348

I OPPOSE SB 348-1.

This bill intends to disarm the people of Oregon, while not enforcing existing laws against criminals.

Laws are supposed to be enforced equally and criminals should expect consequences for their actions.

Police funding has decreased while criminal activity continues to increase. This bill infringes upon the rights of licensed gun holders to defend themselves or those around them.

Criminals do not follow

the law and this bill will not reduce their illegal use of guns. This bill would make law-abiding citizens

who have purchased guns, magazines, and ammunition legally, overnight criminals by making these

items illegal on passage of SB-348-1, even though these items were legal when purchased. Research

indicates that the areas of this country that have the most crime are also the areas that have the

strictest gun control laws. More restrictions on guns for law abiding citizens will not reduce gun

violence, but rather embolden criminals. More emphasis needs to be placed on reducing mental illness

and drug addiction rather than placing more restrictions on gun ownership.

Do the right thing - OPPOSE this bill and Vote NO on SB 348-1.

Respectfully, Kevin McDermott