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Measure: SB348

Please do not weaken Measure 114. Gun safety and better measures for permit applicant requirements outlined in Measure 114 have passed by a vote of the people. It is the legislatures' duty to implement as stated. Now, more than ever, and for far too long there have been not enough requirements regarding background checks and gun safety class before purchasing a gun. Please provide for funding the classes!! Responsibility must be taken for adhering to and completing these requirements in order to own and operate a gun. The mental health of an applicant must also be considered and information about an applicant's mental health (being a risk to own a gun) should not be restricted to just the local police or sheriff's officials judgement of the applicant. School officials and medical community should also be allowed to come forward with information about the applicant's mental health if there are documented concerns. Permits being required after '26 for hunting rifles and shotguns is not an unreasonable timeline for preparing for that requirement. Safety classes should not be that difficult to prepare for. Measure 114 is of utmost importance to implement as soon as possible. Don't water it down!!!