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This bill is absolutely despicable.

I oppose the permit to purchase provisions in principle, but also seeing as that there is no well developed practical plan for the implementation of these purchase permits and how multiple law enforcement agencies have stated that they are not currently capable of processing such a vast demand of permit applications at their current funding levels.

I absolutely oppose the large capacity magazine prohibition. Do you even realize how few firearms come with a <ten round magazine? The large majority of pistols have larger magazines. Not only that, but the supposed motivation of preventing mass casualty events is illogical. Ten rounds are still enough for a "mass shooting" under current definitions, and furthermore, simply trying to limit the tools used for distributing death is a endless game of catch-up that you will never win. Rather than taking away all access to firearms, leading to rising knife violence, then taking away knives and leading to rising automobile ramming incidents, perhaps we ought to figure out why 50 years ago when access to firearms was actually MORE ubiquitous we didn't have the episodes of mass violence that we experience in our day and age? After all, nobody needs a firearm to kill a lot of people. Just a little knowledge of the air handling system and how to make chlorine gas, for instance. The more motivated people are to kill, and the less tools they have available, the more inventive they will get. Perhaps the motivation is what needs to be focused on, not the tools. It is a terrible thing, to see the Oregon I know and love, that I was born into and that flows in my veins, being slowly strangled to death by all these onerous laws being passed by a legislature that has not in all my life represented my interests or the interests of those I am close to. For all my life, the Oregon legislature has been the enemy of the People of Oregon, and how I wish that were not the case. If you continue to go this direction, you will only continue to bleed those of us loyal Oregonians, who feel quite forced to flee their motherland for states that still grasp some semblance of what it means to be a American state. Please, surprise me by not passing this horrible bill.