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Gun control since its inception in 1517 is elitist, classist, and racist. For current examples right now the Attorney General is cherry picking the defense of certain constitutional rights while applauding the destruction of another, and the Legislature is working actively on HB 3742 to arm themselves while working actively to disarm the citizens with House Bill 3507, and Senate Bills 429 and 697.

"Common Sense" Gun Control is an oxymoron. The most common theme in firearm crime reporting from The Oregonian, The Stateman's Journal, The Salem Reporter, and the conclusion of the Salem Police Department and Empower Initiative's Gun Violence Problem Analysis report is that the VAST majority of crimes involving firearms are being committed by those prohibited from possessing firearms. Repeat offending felons and youth under the age of 18 are not lawfully purchasing the firearms they use in crimes. Criminals don't obey laws. Your Bills are spitting in the face of the research results. If spaying and neutering our pets was as "successful" as your "common sense gun control" disinformation, we'd be up to our knees in strays and ferals.

The Second Amendment is in the Bill of Rights, it is a human right, it is self defense, it is second only to Free Speech.

Measure 114 passed by 0.7%. If a war ended with those margins, you'd question if there was a winner.

As a left leaning voter myself, I urge you to stop attacking the people. Grow a spine and address real issues, stop scapegoating our rights. Left leaning voters with critical thinking skills cannot support you attacking self defense.

Stop making our human rights your politics.