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To whom it may concern:

First let me say I am completely opposed to Measure 114 and to these amendments to it. The 2nd Amendment is the law of the land and shall not be infringed, but all that appears to be happening is that every one of these changes limits law abiding citizens the ability to purchase, own and carry a firearm. I also understand that many lawmakers don't like guns and are using every bureaucratic tool to do exactly that; stop the ownership of firearms. Unfortunately, criminals do not care about laws on gun purchasing and carrying, so these laws only affect the law abiding Oregonians.

A firearm is a tool and honestly it is the best equalizer for EVERY citizen to protect themselves.

On the other side of defending themselves, these laws/amendments also severely impede sportsmen/women from enjoying their sports. Hunting, trap, skeet, or just the person who enjoys long range shooting.

The fact that Marion County was chosen as a the place for all court challenges shows me (and most of the State) that the scales of justice are clearly being monkeyed with.

I urge you to immediately stop working on these gun restricting laws. Your time would better spent brainstorming on classes for children/young adults in mediation, conflict resolution and on basic human decency.