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Rights are not intended to dismantled and restricted unduly, privileges have that ability. The law that this bill and measure 114 creates unduly restricts law abiding citizens from ownership and ability to exercise their rights with common use items that have been in this state for decades and even centuries. In 1859 when Oregon joined the Union of the USA it was clear in its writing the intent of freedom and not restrictions. Civilians in Oregon in early 1860s were able to buy and use the same equipment the military had, including Gatling guns that were akin to a semi automatic firearm today, standard capacity feeding devices on it that had the ability to have 400 rounds for it.

Article 1, Section 27 of the Oregon Constitution establishes the right to bear arms, stating: "The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defence of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power".

Second amendment of the U.S. Constitution, ratified in 1791 as part of the Bill of Rights, protects the right of the people to keep and bear arms. It states: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed".

These gun control bills and measures do nothing to protect citizens, only unduly restricts law abiding citizens. Stop this farce of legislation!