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This bill proceeds on the back of a man who used bullying to get his way on a vote. It was dead in the House until Kropf used intimidation to move it forward. The House Dems have become complicit in ignoring this fact. I hope that you will respect the process and sink it from further action. You're essentially forcing Rep Tran to wear long sleeves to hide the bruises by even considering it. As far as the law, we are at the "Some Animals are More Equal" portion of our history, where the average citizen is given less rights than retired police. Really? This whole thing and the related Measure 114 represent an attempt to drive legal firearm ownership out of the hands of ordinary people who can't afford the requirements being propelled forward, tasked with a class that won't be available, etc., etc. It is a gross overreach that so far has conveniently ignored overwhelming opposition to pander to out-of-state interests. And yes, the Dems have heard opposition from their constituents, because I have trained LGBTQ gun owners in Portland who have reached out against it to their reps. Ignoring their voices is an ugly precedent to set after claiming to represent them in their rights.