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To Whom it May Concern,

Ballot measure 114, and any subsequent modifications, alterations, or continuations of it's existence is a direct violation of the people's constitutional rights. It converts the second amendment right into a privilege, only able to be exercised once the people pay the state's tax upon it. There is already a Supreme Court precedent which invalidates such a measure, *Murdock V. Pennsylvania* (1943) "... 4. A State may not impose a charge for the enjoyment of a right granted by the Federal Constitution. P. 319 U. S. 113." Though, that case involved violations of the First Amendment, this would equally apply to the free exercise of any of the rights outlined in the Federal Constitution.

Furthermore, the erosion of rights based upon the premise that concerns of public safety would overrule the rights of people, whom have not been convicted of crimes, is preposterous. If the founding fathers had intended for hysterical claims of public safety to be more important than the rights enumerated in the U.S. Constitution, then they would have drafted a Bill of Safeties, not a Bill of Rights.

"The state does not have the power to tax or license a right guaranteed by the federal constitution."