



IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE 114 – SB 348

It has been quite a year since the historic passage of Measure 114! A majority of Oregon voters (nearly 1 million) passed these life savings policies: Banning large-capacity magazines Requiring a permit to purchase any gun No gun sale until the purchaser passes the background check.

Tragically, mass shootings this year keep rising - 187 in the first 122 days of 2023. 28% of Americans have had a family member or know someone who was a victim of gun violence. And for children, it's the number one cause of death.

We are thrilled that Measure 114 passed, but it should be in effect. One county court judge has enjoined the implementation of the entire law. We are confident that will be lifted, though it may take a few more months.

Legislators can't speed up that case. But they can and must use this time to pass provisions so we are ready to move the implementation forward, fully implement the will of the voters, and not weaken any of the policies.

SB 348-A INCLUDES MANY STRONG CHANGES TO SUPPORT MEASURE 114:

- Requirement that State Police include the racial and gender makeup by county in its annual report of the number of permits granted and denied, and the reasons for denials, to ensure equitable and consistent processing.
- Protection to ensure the information provided by permit applicants will not be disclosed to random requests under the public records act.
- A directive making clear that nothing in this law should be construed as delaying or preventing the development of the permitting process. In fact, law enforcement should be able to start issuing permits as soon as the stay is lifted, even if there is a delay in the actual date permits will be required.
- A three-day waiting period after the sale is approved for "cooling off" reducing gun-related homicides and suicides.

- Specifications for State Police database and on-going permit updating.
- Language required by the FBI to perform full fingerprint background checks.
- Language that ensures the Charleston loophole closure can go into effect immediately upon the lifting of the court stay. The Harney County Judge refused to put this in place because it wasn't in a stand-alone sentence.
- Exclusive jurisdiction for lawsuits challenging SB 348 in the Marion County Circuit Court, which has expertise in cases involving state agency actions.
- An emergency clause so it becomes effective upon passage.

WHAT SHOULD YOU TELL THE LEGISLATORS:

*SB 348 must pass this session.

*The current version (SB 348 A) is awaiting one more amendment to add a few provisions (including a direct appeal to the Supreme Court!). Please pass the bill with the amendments that will be considered in the Ways and Means subcommittee (SB 348 B).

*Everyone should be required to have a permit, just as Measure 114 intended. Applying that same standard makes it fair and equitable for all. (The only exception should be for active duty law enforcement and military personnel purchasing weapons for activities within the scope of their duties.)

*Legislators on the Ways and Means Committees should approve adequate funding requested by the state police for implementation and enforcement.

*We need their vote for SB 348!!

REMEMBER WHY OREGONIANS PASSED MEASURE 114.

KEEP IT STRONG TO MAKE OREGON SAFER!

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