

Comments Received to IP 17, Sunday, July 24, 2022

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Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 6:20 PM

To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>

Subject: ballot measure IP 17 Oops! Colorado U.S. District Court Issues TRO against magazine and gun ban

Please see: Civil Action No.22-cv-01685-RM "In the United States District Court For the District of Colorado"
Judge Raymond P. Moore

Rocky Mountain Gun Owners et. al. Plaintiffs' vs. The Town of Superior, Defendants

Also, see <https://reason.com/volokh/2022/07/22/colorado-u-s-district-court-issu...>

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Ruling against town of Superior ...first post-Bruen decision on arms ban

From: Laura Hurst <lahurst@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 6:02 PM

To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>

Subject: IP 17, the Gun, and Magazine Ban initiative

Committee members:

Please include the following facts about the IP 17 measure, in the Voter's Guide:

- The measure outright bans the new purchase of most sporting shotguns because of the magazine capacity limit. Most shotguns which have tubular magazines can hold more than 10 "mini shells" making them illegal to purchase. This will have a profound effect on youth trap and skeet shooting in Oregon.
- The measure requires live fire training before a person can apply for a permit to purchase a firearm. There are no facilities that will be available for this training.
- For first time gun buyers this could well require that you have a gun before you can get a permit to buy a gun. There are no exceptions for the permit to purchase requirement for police or Federally licensed gun dealers.
- The "permitting agent" can demand "any additional information" to issue the permit, opening endless opportunities for abuse.

- The measure only allows those approved by police to provide the required “training” to apply for a permit. Police in Oregon are underfunded and understaffed. There is no plan in place to physically provide any training and virtually no rural police have the facilities or workforce to provide classes.
- Police in urban areas are already not responding to most violent crimes. The Oregon State Sheriff’s Association has estimated that if a person somehow could complete the required training, the permitting process would cost sheriffs almost \$40,000,000.00 annually. There is nothing in the measure that provides any funding and the fees included would not come close to covering the costs.
- There is no estimate on the cost or impact on small local police departments. While the measure caps the cost for a permit, there are no caps on the costs for the required training, which is unlikely to be available anyway. This will mostly affect low-income communities. The measure requires that the required class (taught only by “law enforcement approved” trainers) include training on state and federal law, transfers, and storage, and the “impact of suicide on the country as a whole.”
- There is no indication of who would be qualified to instruct on these issues or how they become approved. The measure requires that a sheriff or local police department issue a permit within 30 days after a background check has been completed by the State Police. But there is NO limit on how long the State Police can take to complete the background check and NO penalties if they do not complete it.
- There are no estimates of the cost of these checks to the State Police. The measure requires a public list of persons who attempt to purchase firearms. Victims of domestic violence will be at risk for all their confidential information being made public along with their efforts to purchase a firearm for self-defense.
- The measure creates a whole new category of victimless crimes at a time when the police are grossly underfunded and real criminals are being released onto our streets. The measure requires a permit from local police (which may be impossible to get) just to apply for permission from the Oregon State Police simply to buy a firearm. But it also removes the one safeguard that protects gun buyers if the State Police do not complete their background check.
- State and Federal law allow the transfer of a firearm if the state police don’t complete a background check in 3 business days. This measure removes that safeguard. So, a single mom with threats against her and her children could wait forever to get permission to get a home defense firearm.
- Sincerely, Laura Hurst, Rogue River, Oregon

From: Steven Irving <stevenirving02@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 8:03 PM
To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: IP17

This measure does nothing to eliminate crime.

It's sole purpose is to make it more difficult for honest people to buy guns

It does not provide any penalties for those who use guns to commit crimes..

From: Ward Barker <wbarker@web.de>
Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 9:58 AM
To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: IP17 is horribly misleading

IP17 is a virtual ban on gun ownership and self defense, but it does not explain that. It's a backdoor attempt at eliminating guns by proposing solutions without actually having the solutions in place.

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- There are no exceptions for the required permit for federally licensed dealers or law enforcement.
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- The measure requires a public list of persons who attempt to purchase firearms. This is a violation of the 5th Amendment, to be secure in our papers.
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From: chriscline <chriscline@protonmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 2:50 PM
To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: IP 17

The explanatory statement to be published in the Voters Guide should reflect the ramifications of this measure should it pass and be signed into law.

1. The measure bans *firearms in common use* affecting the sale and use of most shotguns, rifles and pistols.
2. The measure requires live fire training by local "*police approved*" trainers before a citizen can apply to the state police for a permit to purchase a firearm. There are very few facilities in the state where such training could be completed. This training must also include instruction on *state and federal law*, and the "*impact of suicide on the country as a whole*" without funding sources or naming who would be qualified to instruct training on these subjects or where these dictates would or could be fulfilled. There are no limits on cost of any of these training requirements.
3. Measure IP 17 would create a public list of all those citizens applying to buy a firearm.
4. Federal law allows the transfer of a firearm if the state police fail to complete a background check within three days. This measure is in conflict with federal law.
5. There is no part of this measure that will prevent or impede criminals from committing gun crimes.

Please consider these facts about the content of measure IP 17 as the explanatory statement is written. The people of Oregon deserve to know what they are voting on.

My wife and I have lived in Jackson County for 44 years.

Thank you for your attention and time.

Christopher and Lynell Cline

From: Robert VC <robertmvancamp@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 1:08 AM
To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: IP 17 Explanatory Statement Comments

I'm writing to make sure that the voter's pamphlet is accurate in describing the following.

1. There is no provision or requirement for the necessary "training" to be provided by anyone.

2. There is no cap on the cost of the "training" that is required for the permit, and judging by the requirements, the cost of this training will be extremely expensive and exclusionary to low income residents and Oregon residents who are people of color in impacted communities.

3. This completely bans the ability of a lawful permit holder, a concealed carry permit holder, or anyone, from carrying their standard "large capacity" magazines for self defense. The normal magazines that are sold with their firearms will be banned and no longer able to be used for self defense. Outside of the house or a range, all large capacity magazines must be locked up and not in the firearm. All this does is make lawful gun owners at a disadvantage against criminals who will still carry large capacity magazines.

4. This law does not expand or make background checks more reliable or effective. It only requires the same background check, that is already required in our existing Universal Background check law. This means the cost to purchase firearms increases dramatically, with zero benefit to the public. The background check to get the permit is the same as it is to buy a gun already.

5. Restricts the rights of law abiding citizens with no demonstrated proof of effectiveness, and no means to sunset the law if it doesn't work.

6. The estimated cost to the state for this law is \$40 million dollars and there are no funds in the bill to support this cost.

7. There are no funds in the bill to provide the training that the bill requires. The type of training the bill requires does not exist today. Police departments don't have public ranges or training to provide the training necessary. This will make it impossible to get the "permit". The national standard is to allow NRA certified trainers to provide training, as demonstrated in our state's Concealed Handgun License requirement.

8. The impact to the people's rights will be severe. This is not a measure about "background checks" as there are no increases to the efficacy of the background checks being used to better identify dangerous persons. It's the same background check.

9. The impact to firearms dealers will be severe, putting people's jobs and livelihoods at great risk in an already shaky economy. The financial impact must be outlined in the descripton.

Regards,

Robert VanCamp

From: Brian Girsberger <bcgirsbe@teleport.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 8:34 PM

To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>

Subject: IP 17

To whom it may concern:

What the measure doesn't mention is the following paragraphs. I think the voter should know these before they start voting, don't you? There is exactly no mention in the measure on how any of these are to be funded and facilitated by the Police & Sheriff's Departments.

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Sincerely,

Brian Girsberger

Portland, Oregon

"A lie doesn't become truth, Wrong doesn't become right and evil doesn't become good just because it's accepted by a Majority." – Booker T. Washington

From: eric trauman <eric.trauman@gmail.com>
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To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: IP 17 COMMENT

IP 17 is an affront to all LGBTQIA+. We must protect all of us. What if my trans son is attacked by fascist nazi's and cannot defend against them due to the permit being denied?

From: Craig Stensrud <craigs8112@yahoo.com>
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To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>

Subject: IP 17 Comments

Pursuant to the Supreme Court's recent decision in *New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen*, courts are supposed to decide Second Amendment cases on TEXT, HISTORY, and TRADITION. Judges may not decide based on their own opinions about good policy, nor should they defer to legislative policy judgements. The policy balancing was already conducted by the American people when they adopted the Second Amendment.

They're for, if IP17 is passed by a vote of the people It will be overturned in federal court at great expense to the people of Oregon. The people of Oregon need to be told about this up front before they vote. They need all the facts.

Please include this in the voters guide.

-----Original Message-----

From: Max Doner <mdoner@proaxis.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 12:55 PM

To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>

Subject: Re: IP 17 voter's guide statement

Dear committee members,

Please include these explanatory statements in the voter's guide regarding the content of IP 17:

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Thank you,

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From: DAVID HAINES <dkhaines001@yahoo.com>
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To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: Gun ban

This proves how stupid our government is. They never address the criminals. Guns are inanimate objects that by themselves can do nothing. It’s just another push of the government to control the people and the people won’t stand for it.

The government keeps letting criminals out of jail and wonders why they keep committing crimes. It’s those people that don’t give a dam about the law and will do whatever it takes to get what they want.

The problem is the government that doesn’t have a bit of common sense between the whole lot. It’s easier to blame someone or something than actually deal with the real problem. They all belong in prison until they can pull their heads out of their asses and deal with the real problem.

From: Brad Vanek <BradVanek@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 2:01 PM
To: SOS Elections * SOS <Elections.SOS@sos.oregon.gov>
Subject: legislative control

Gun control that punishes law abiding citizens will not stop drug shootings, gang shootings, robbery shootings and mentally disturbed people from acting out their fantasies with unchecked open door access to soft targets like schools and churches....to control "behavior" start with family constructive values, and end with deterrents in a lawful system that has structure. You have enabled a permissive society and this is the reason for violence....people are the product of this, not guns. Scripted, political gun control policies means you are reactive and targeted and therefore not serious about criminal activity. Work on this with input from several points of view and you might get something that is less authoritarian and more voluntary.Those kind of solutions have a proven track record.

Remember criminals and the mentally disturbed never follow the rules.....