



## COOS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

---

To: The Citizens of Coos County

Message from the Coos County Sheriff's Office on Ballot Measure 114:

Unfortunately, we are seeing the possible passage of Ballot Measure 114 because of the votes from only the metropolitan areas of the state. As your Sheriff and Sheriff/Elect we answer to our citizens and Coos County overwhelmingly rejected this measure.

This measure is poorly written and vaguely worded. It leaves a tremendous amount of review and deciphering to sort out what and how the permitting process will be handled. As to who will be required to conduct and certify the "required" training. What is required to meet and cover the training as required as it is not defined or explained?

In the coming days, we will be working with other law enforcement partners, other elected officials, legal advisors and community members to determine the best course of action. If the permitting is required, determining how to make it as minimally intrusive as possible.

We want to ensure every step that can be taken, will be taken to not hinder the rights of law abiding citizens to purchase a firearm.

This measure is wrong and will do nothing to provide safety or security to our citizens. The claim that it has been used to reduce crime is patently false. All one needs to do is look at the restrictions in places like Chicago and New York to see that restricting the rights of citizens simply emboldens the criminal and makes it easier for them to intimidate entire communities. While also restricting the rights of citizens to protect themselves and their families.

This is a very bad law for law abiding citizens, lawful gun owners, crime victims, and public safety. As the saying goes, when law abiding citizens are disarmed the criminals won't be.

We wish to be very clear about this issue and want to make sure that the citizens of Coos Country are being properly served by their Sheriff's Office. We will not be checking or inspecting firearm for magazine capacity or enforcing capacity limits.

It is our hope that this measure will not pass. However if it does, we will support those who file a lawsuits against it. This law has previously been over turned by the Supreme Court after having been approved by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. It is clearly a violation of the GOD given, constitutionally guaranteed Rights to keep and bear arms. There is going to be a lot to sort out on how this will impact our citizens of Coos County and all other police agencies in Oregon.

We will continue to inform the public as to the decision being made.

Craig Zanni – Sheriff

Gabe Fabrizio – Sheriff/Elect