

To whom it may concern-

I was recently informed about HB 4145 and I cannot believe this is even being considered. This further erodes Oregonian's due process, or at least what we have left of it after the passing of the "extreme risk protection order" bill.

If this bill becomes law, an ex girlfriend that holds a grudge against me (or anyone that says they are my ex girlfriend) could have my guns confiscated from me, without any shred of evidence of wrongdoing on my part. Now, I fully understand that not everyone likes the right to keep and bear arms. But, that is a civil and natural right, as enshrined in our federal and state constitutions. As is our right to due process in a court of law.

Oregon has a long history as a great place to live. All kinds of people call this great state home. People with all different viewpoints who share a love of the great outdoors and have that free pioneer spirit. Kate Brown's agenda over the last few years to expand the government overreach and micromanage citizens lives is unprecedented and unwelcome here. This bill places burden and unjust treatment on the backs of gun owners, simply because Kate Brown does not like the idea of free citizens owning guns. There has been zero evidence put forward suggesting that this bill would do anything to reduce (Oregon's already very low) crime rate. And even if it did, it would have to be very carefully examined against the due process rights that this bill tramples on.

With regards to Kate Brown's agenda, exemplified in this latest bill, I offer a bit of wisdom I recently saw on a bumper sticker: "don't California my Oregon". As I stated before, Oregon is a great place to live, with a wide range of people here. California is not a very great place to live, and has a very narrow-minded and politically homogenous group of people living in it. And yet Kate Brown seems intent on trying to California our Oregon.

Regardless of the individual political persuasions of the people debating on this bill, I hope that everyone can recognize that this is unjust, and act accordingly. There is no end goal that justifies circumventing citizens' rights to due process.

Sincerely,
We The People