

Dear Congresspeople:

I would enthusiastically urge you to **oppose** HB 4145. The criteria for obtaining a restraining order under this bill is far too broad.

I personally had a colleague who's career was nearly ended by a vindictive ex-spouse. It cost him tens of thousands of dollars in legal fees and lost work time to save his career and family.

I believe this bill is also misguided as a tool to help "protect" victims from those who should not possess firearms. Vigorous enforcement of current laws would be far more effective. Last time I checked the statistics, the percentage of arrests resulting from failed background checks for an entire year in Oregon was in the single digits.

Please oppose HB 4145.

Respectfully submitted,  
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