

I am a long-time Oregon resident, and a retired federal law enforcement officer as well as a former Use of Force and Firearms Instructor.

HB 4005 is nothing short of a worthless law that will do nothing to prevent gun violence. All the bill will do is make victims out of everyday, law-abiding citizens who won't be able to access their firearms quickly in order to defend themselves or their families. Additionally troublesome is the bill's punishment of law-abiding citizens who have their firearms stolen. When did holding the victim of a crime accountable for the actions of the perpetrator become justice?

This bill is wrong on all-fronts.

Vote this bill down. It is time to start listening to those who elected you. It is time to start advocating for them, rather than against them. Stop taking away our rights to defend ourselves.

Sincerely,

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