

House Judiciary Committee:

Vote NO on HB 4005.

As expected, the Democrats in Salem are wasting no time trying to ram through their anti-gun agenda.

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This bill not only forces lock up of self defense firearms, it punishes even if firearms are locked up. While it penalizes gun owners if their firearms are stolen, it does *nothing* to penalize gun thieves.

This bill makes gun owners liable for illegal misuse of guns if they are illegally stolen from them!

It requires use of dangerous and easily defeated "trigger" or "cable" locks that violate every rule of gun safety but mandates that *gun owners* be prosecuted if a thief can defeat them, which of course any thief can.

This bill also virtually eliminates minor's use of firearms even to protect themselves and their families in their own homes. Under this bill, a 17 year old with years of shooting experience would not be allowed to have access to a self defense firearm. This will have a harmful effect families in remote areas.

Needless to say this bill will have a devastating effect on youth shooting programs.

The bill requires (for no discernible reason) that firearms that are *lawfully transferred* (through gun dealers) are locked up during transfer and makes the transferor liable for *two years* for misuse of a legally transferred firearm if it was not locked. This assumes that for some reason the person to whom you lawfully transferred a firearm, with a background check, will not remove the required lock...for two years!

This bill not only forces lock up of self defense firearms, it punishes even if a firearm owner *DOES* lock up firearms. While it penalizes firearm owners if their firearms are stolen, it does *nothing* to penalize the thieves.

None of the components of this bill make anyone safer. In fact, these rules can easily get people killed in the event of a criminal attack.

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Respectfully submitted,

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