

To all members of the House Judiciary Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 4005.

I am a retired VA counselor. Our PTSD clinical team was on the way back to Portland following a training at the Roseburg VA, when we were diverted to Thurston HS in Springfield. Our clinic director in Portland.

"There's been a school shooting." "They called requesting help and you are close." The date, May 1998, before Columbine.

We entered a disaster zone; shocked students, teachers, counselors and staff. The cafeteria floor was still streaked with the blood of students, after attempted clean up.

If Kip Kinkle's parents had securely stored all of the family's guns, they would still be alive, as would the two students who were killed. The 25 wounded would not be dealing with the horror of that day. Kip would have been able to receive the mental health care he needed. All staff and students And their families continue to carry the pain of that day, as does the community of Springfield.

In addition, A friend from Idaho's 15 y/o son was killed by his best friend by a unlocked hand gun, supposedly not loaded, on his bedside table. It was a needless accidental shooting that changed two familys, forever.

All guns need to be securely stored. Gun owners agree. Gun companies provide gun locks.

If people do not secure their guns, they should be held accountable.

The case of Clackamas Town Center is classic. If the man who kept his loaded gun in his closet had had it secured, two fine citizens would be alive and their families and friends wouldn't have to live without them.

HB 4005 is a common sense gun law that will save lives. Please read it and support HB 4005.

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