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My name is Amie Wexler and I'm the volunteer State Legislative Lead for Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America. I have been volunteering with Moms Demand Action since the shooting at Umpqua Community College in 2015. I am an attorney and a mother of two, including an 18 year old senior at Grant High School in Portland.

I am submitting my testimony asking you to support the passage of HB 2005 out of committee. We know that creating guns from 3D printers and kits that are easy to obtain online allows them to easily get in the hands of those that are prohibited purchasers. Plastic guns are undetectable by metal detectors, allowing them into sensitive places like the Capitol, the airport, courthouses, large concert venues and other places where weapons are prohibited. We also know that these guns are untraceable and we cannot know how they are spreading from purchaser to purchaser. I ask that you take action now to protect Oregonians from these dangerous weapons.

To date, two large caches of these weapons have been uncovered in Oregon, One in Salem and one in Eugene. These guns have the potential to be a menace and now is the time to take action before the prevalence escalates and there's no putting the proverbial genie back in the bottle.

Thank you for passing this vital legislation to keep Oregonians safe from gun violence and for this opportunity to weigh in.
Amie Wexler