

Submitter: Elizabeth Klein

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3074

Dear Chair Kropf and the House Judiciary Committee:

I ask you to support HB3074 to increase use of ERPOs in Oregon. I am an Oregonian, a family doctor, a mom, a grandmother and a gun violence survivor. My brother, aunt and cousin each died from gun suicide. I spent my career trying to improve depression screening and management in primary care and decrease gun suicides. Over 400 Oregonians die yearly from preventable firearm suicides. ERPOs are already the law but underused in Oregon. HB3074 would make it easier for individuals to petition and protect those at greatest risk of harm by making sure firearms are removed and law enforcement is trained so they know how and when to use this tool. Please support HB3074 as ERPOs are proven to prevent firearm suicides, prevent mass shootings, and save lives.

Sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Klein