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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

Testimony in Opposition to HB 4145

To: Chair Kropf, Vice-Chairs Lewis and Andersen, and Members of the House
Committee on Judiciary From: Michael David Tiebout, Junction City, OR Date:
February 2, 2026 RE: HB 4145 – OPPOSITION

Chair Kropf and members of the committee,

My name is Michael David Tiebout, and I am a resident of Junction City. I am writing to express my firm opposition to HB 4145.

As an Oregonian who has consistently stood against legislative overreach regarding our Second Amendment rights, I find this bill particularly egregious for three primary reasons:

Financial Exclusion: Increasing the permit fee from \$65 to \$150—a 130% hike—creates a "pay-to-play" barrier that disproportionately impacts low-income citizens. Constitutional rights should not be reserved only for those who can afford the state's escalating administrative costs.

Unreasonable Delays: Doubling the background check and permit review window from 30 to 60 days is a confession of bureaucratic inefficiency. Law-abiding citizens should not have their safety and rights put on a two-month "hold" because of the state's inability to manage its own processes.

A Two-Tiered Society: By granting exemptions for magazine limits and permit requirements to retired law enforcement while denying those same protections to private citizens, this bill creates a privileged class. My safety and the safety of my family are no less valuable than that of a retired probation officer.

This bill does not target criminals; it targets the finances and patience of law-abiding gun owners like myself. I urge you to vote NO on HB 4145 and instead focus on addressing the actual roots of crime in our communities.

Respectfully,

Michael David Tiebout